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Lover was stabbed in cash row

BY JULIA SUTTON
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A COURT has heard how a Chinese restaurant chef was stabbed in a bunk bed by her lesbian lover after a row over cash.

Leng Hie Tiong was attacked in the early hours of December 12, 2013, at her Fishermead home by married mother-of-two Chooi Cheung, *pictured*, who feared she was going to return to Malaysia without paying back £38,000.

Leng, who is also known as August, received a deep cut to the left side of her neck, which was life-threatening, along with wounds to her head and cuts to her back, shoulder and arm.

Giving evidence, 38-year-old Leng said she had previously worked for Cheung, also known as Julie, as a chef at her restaurant in Birmingham in 2007.

By December last year, Ms Tiong was working as a chef for another employer at the Zen Garden restaurant at the CBX building in Central Milton Keynes.

Some time after 10pm on December 11 last year she cycled home from work to a house in Padstow Avenue, Fishermead, where she and other restaurant workers lived.

For the latest on the trial
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When she arrived, she saw Cheung's white BMW X3 parked outside a neighbour's home. They went inside and talked before getting into the bottom bunk bed together.

Shortly afterwards Leng said that Cheung, 53, attacked her, telling the court: "She was using a knife, pressing it against my neck. There was blood on my body and I screamed. Then the knife was in my mouth."

Both women were treated at Milton Keynes Hospital.

Prosecutor David Bright added: "They had differences – money being one point of contention."

Cheung, from Selly Park, Birmingham, told the court she was defending herself, and denies attempted murder in a trial that began yesterday at Luton Crown Court.

The trial continues.

Helen Colby is hopping mad as she and three friends take on Sunday's Race for Life in MK on spacehoppers in memory of Melanie Martuccio who died of cancer.

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Canal protest to stop evictions of ill boat residents

THE boating community will blockade the Grand Union Canal in protest against vulnerable boat dwellers being evicted.

City campaign group, The People's Flotilla Against Austerity, has organised the protest because disabled or ill boat users are being evicted or threatened with eviction from their homes by the Canal and River Trust (CRT) for not abiding by the licence rules.

Anita de Klerk, founder and campaign coordinator, said: "These are people's homes and there is no give and take from the CRT.

"Every two weeks people have to move their boat but safety is paramount and what if you are too ill to move?"

One boat dweller who lost his arm in a motorbike accident 20 years ago was threatened with eviction.

He said: "I live on my own and because of the bad weather it wasn't safe for me to move.

"I abide by the rules and no-one tries to take the mick but the CRT should be more polite instead of sending out threatening letters."

The protest will take place on the towpath opposite the Peartree Bridge Inn on Saturday at 2pm and all boaters around the country have been asked to block their canals in support.

A spokesman from the CRT said: "All we ask is that boaters abide by the rules and pay their fair share, with their licence fee going towards keeping the waterways working.

"We know that sometimes people run into difficulties and when this happens we always do everything we can to work out solutions with the people involved, including, where we can, allowing longer than usual stays and helping people find alternative moorings.

"Removing a boat is always the last resort."

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Praise for men who chased thief

BY JAMES AVERILL
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A SEVENTY-YEAR-OLD woman has thanked the good samaritans who came to her aid after she was robbed at a cashpoint.

Hilary Saunders was approached from behind by the thief who then snatched her purse and ran off.

But three men who happened to be near the Co-op cash machine in New Bradwell High Street at the time chased after the criminal and got her purse back.

Hilary told MK NEWS: "I was at the cashpoint and I took £50 out and I was putting the money in my purse when somebody came up behind me and squeezed my arms.

"I was expecting it to be a friend saying 'guess who' but it wasn't and he ran off.

"I thought that I'm not going to let them get away with it so I shouted that he had my purse. Then two young men came out of the bookmakers and another man came out of Costcutters and they went chasing after him and caught him up.

"They got my purse and it had my card in thankfully but I lost the £50."

And now Hilary, who is chairman of Wolverton and Greenleys Town Council, is keen to say thank you to the men who heeded her calls for help.

She said: "I didn't expect anyone to go running after him and I was so delighted they did. I just want to thank these men. Seeing that there are people like this in the community has actually made this more positive.

"I want to thank Thames Valley Police as well, they were excellent."

Scene of the crime: Hilary Saunders, 70, outside the Co-op cashpoint in New Bradwell where she had her purse stolen

Anyone with information about the incident, which happened at 1pm on May 26, should contact Det Con Susan Russell at Milton Keynes Police Station on 101.

For more on this story, including a description of the offender, visit **www.mkweb.co.uk**

'There are plenty of pink sacks'

A COUNCILLOR has moved to quash rumours about a shortage of pink sacks in the city.

Cllr David Hopkins says there are approximately 500,000 sacks, or 25,000 rolls, currently in stock.

Those supplies were topped up on Monday as Milton Keynes Council brought in about 4,000 rolls and more were expected to arrive yesterday.

Cllr Hopkins also said more rolls will be delivered next week and that usage of them was 150 per cent higher than normal because of rumours of a shortage – despite the council only issuing one roll at a time.

"A further 300,000 sacks (15,000 rolls) will be delivered next week which will mean we'll have plenty in stock," he added.

Waste contractors Serco moved its factory premises at Easter, which led to stockpiles being reduced to facilitate the move at that time.

Residents have contacted MK NEWS over recent weeks, with two people saying they were unable to collect pink sacks.

For a guide on what recycling waste should go in to your pink sacks, visit our website.

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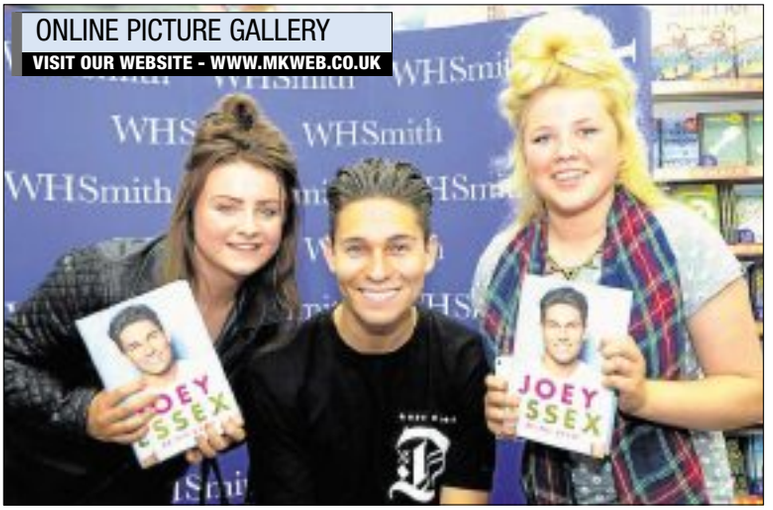

Book signing: Joey Essex chats with Taylor Jasper and Ellie Fairhurst from Newport Pagnell

TOWIE's Joey delights fans

THOUSANDS of screaming Joey Essex fans queued outside WHSmith in thecentre:mk from the early hours on Thursday.

Teenagers Ellie Fairhurst and Taylor Jasper, from Newport Pagnell, had been waiting since 5.30am to meet The Only Way Is Essex (TOWIE) star, who has also appeared on TV screens in I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out of Here and Celebrity Juice.

Joey was signing his new book, Being Reem, which is about his life and recent educational travels.

Taylor said: "He forgot to sign my book at first. I have already started reading it and I cried when he spoke about the death of his mum.

"People don't know him properly if they just say he is dumb."

Both girls were overwhelmed by their encounter and said 'their lives were now complete'.

On track for MK airport rail link

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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RESIDENTS could travel direct to Gatwick and Heathrow airports if new rail plans by the Government are given the green light.

Iain Stewart, MP for Milton Keynes South and private secretary to the Secretary of State for Transport, said it's 'full steam ahead' for the plans to connect MK's rail line to the popular airports.

He added it is an 'exciting prospect' that could 'recognise MK as a key area for business, trade and leisure'.

As part of the East West Rail Project (EWR), The Department for Transport (DfT) and Network Rail, which has its HQ in Milton Keynes, are looking into a way to connect Oxfordshire to Heathrow via MK.

Mr Stewart, who is also chairman of EWR, said: "The EWR was originally based around two core services – Oxford to Bedford via Bletchley, and MK to The Chilterns. This remains at the core of the project but there are other options being looked at."

As part of Gatwick Airport's second runway in 2021, plans exist to connect directly to 175 mainline stations, which could include Milton Keynes Central.

Mr Stewart added: "These are quite exciting prospects if they come off and will keep MK on the map.

"I will continue to lobby – it is full steam ahead."

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Rise in empty homes
THE number of homes that are empty for longer than six months in the Milton Keynes borough has increased from 551 in October 2012 to 605 in October 2013.

Full IF line-up online
THE full line-up for the IF International Festival in July is now available to view online at **mkweb.co.uk**

Film star competition
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Missing Patricia 'wanted break'

THE family of 74-year-old Patricia Davies, who went missing from Oldbrook, have spoken to MK NEWS after she was found.

The family who were 'extremely concerned' are now relieved to have her home and said 'she just wanted a break'.

Police said the pensioner was found on Monday after she was last seen at her home in Oldbrook Boulevard at 10am on Friday.

Over the weekend, 40 search and rescue volunteers and the National Police Air Service (NPAS) helicopter were out looking for her.

No extra police for football

THAMES Valley Police has told MK NEWS there will be no extra officers on patrol for England World Cup games.

Deputy LPA Commander Jim O'Ryan is also urging publicans to be responsible.

He said: "We will have the same number of officers on for the World Cup but we will move them about to adapt to events that are ongoing.

"The message to publicans is that you are responsible for the amount of alcohol you serve to people."

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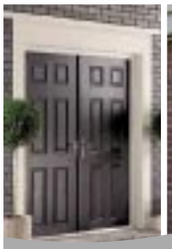

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Call time on pub plan

IT HAS been reported in your paper that Wetherspoons is planning to move into the old Co-op site in Queensway, Bletchley (*'Wetherspoons may take over town 'eyesore", MK NEWS, May 28*).

This move is opposed by the majority of people in central Bletchley.

It is true Wetherspoons is a popular pub providing good quality food and drinks at a reasonable price. But already pub landlords in Queensway are struggling to run their businesses due to high rents. A big pub of this size may also create parking problems.

The arrival of Wetherspoons will result in some pubs closing in the vicinity since they cannot compete with a big company like this.

Instead of a pub central Bletchley needs a supermarket to replace the old Co-op.

There should be a survey with local companies in Bletchley and Fenny Stratford to find out what affect Wetherspoons' plans will have on their business.

Arun Vaidyanathan
Sent via email

Owners' foul attitude

I READ your report on the litter and dog bins in the Monkston parish with interest (*'Litterbugs urged to 'use the bins", MK NEWS, May 28*) and although I reside in Two Mile Ash, we all face the same situations city wide.

I believe Cllr Graham Clark is rather naive with his comments regarding dog mess. 'There are always the odd few people whose minds wander somewhere else and they have no idea what their dog is doing', he says.

Well, as a responsible owner, I know what my dog is doing at all times when I take her for a walk and it would be totally irresponsible of me not to know. Owners who have no idea what their pet is up to shouldn't have a dog. No the truth has a rather more simple explanation. There are still people out there with dogs who do not give a damn what they do or where they do it.

I've witnessed, on a regular basis, anti-social owners letting their pets foul wherever they please and then just walking away, even within three feet of a dog bin.

Children's play areas, running tracks, front gardens and even pathways are of no concern to those that persist in this anti-social behaviour. I believe the majority of responsible owners do clear up after their pets, but those that do not never will.

I spoke to one owner whose dog had fouled on a public field used by the local school for athletics and shamed him into taking a bag from me to clear up the mess, he professed to have 'forgotten' to bring any bags out with him. Two days later, I observed him from a distance letting his dog foul in the same area and then walking away.

I welcome the call for more dog bins across the city's estates, if only for those of us who have to carry our doggy bags some considerable distance to the next bin.

I feel that more fines and examples made of those falling foul of the by-laws would perhaps make some offenders take note, but of course policing for this type of crime is of a very low priority. We need more park wardens with the authority to hand out fines for this type of offence.

One last thought, how on earth does a dog bin cost up to £800? Is this a case of the parish council just doling out money to suspect suppliers that will hype the price of goods? Give me time and I'll find a supplier of dog bins for considerably less.

Charles Hill
Two Mile Ash

I was forced to resign

AS THE most recently elected town councillor in Bletchley and Fenny Stratford, I feel I have to respond to the appalling letter from Keith Ely and Angela Kennedy last week.

I grew up on the Lakes estate and was delighted when I was elected to represent the area with more than 82 per cent of the vote in a by-election last February.

It soon became clear that the town council wasn't prepared to listen to local people and just wanted to carry on as it always had – spending taxpayers' money on plans and consultations rather than clearing rubbish and tackling anti-social behaviour.

Meetings were run appallingly, with friends of the chairman and vice-chairman allowed to interrupt throughout. I felt that I had no choice but to resign, as I was unable even to discuss the concerns of the people that I represented at council meetings.

The people of Bletchley and Fenny Stratford are fed up with this shambolic council. We need new elections, so that local people can decide the way forward.

Anne Marie Cryer-Whitehead
Sent via email

Door closed on design

I AM writing in response to two items published in MK NEWS on May 21.

The first, 'MK design to be lauded in Venice' quotes a respected architect as saying 'the imagination of planners who designed Milton Keynes needs to be celebrated' going on to say that 'the people behind Milton Keynes had such vivid imaginations that should be celebrated' and 'were exciting and missing today'.

The second was a letter to the editor entitled 'Absurd housing plans'. The views expressed in the letter are, to my mind, spot on and I absolutely agree that 'there seems to be no thought or concern about the living conditions of the residents now or in the future' and 'there seems to be very little between them (the councillors of Milton Keynes) and far from creating a beautiful city they are creating a place that will be blighted with horrendous future problems'.

I wonder what the original planners of Milton Keynes would think about the direction it is heading? I doubt very much their original plan was to concrete the green space, destroy the grid system (or at the very least make it unworkable) and cram people into small, box-like houses that are so close together that one wonders about the sanity of the so-called 'designers'.

Even The Park's Trust is in on the deal – threatening to develop small areas of green space into housing.

It makes the idea of Milton Keynes being a 'centrepiece of an exhibit on how planners modernised Britain' a bit of a farce because the design of the city (specifically its original concept) is being eroded by, to quote, 'the lure from government monetary incentives to allow mass high density, cheap (but not cheap to buy) buildings on every scrap of land'. It's so short-sighted it makes my eyes water.

Miranda Dyson
Sent via email

Jon Brett's City Life

His column written exclusively for MK NEWS

WE ALL know Milton Keynes was a city designed around the car, however, it's considered poor taste to admit it in these times of alleged climate change etc.

But you can't ignore our excellent grid road network and the countless roundabouts that keep the traffic moving so well.

Which is why it beggars belief that some seem so intent on installing ever more frustrating traffic light systems around MK.

So this week, I'm listing the most annoying traffic lights in Milton Keynes and asking the question: Are they really necessary?

1. The Sainsbury's junction at Witan Gate. For no reason that I can see, these have the opposite sequence to all others in the city centre and take twice as long to change.

2. Shenley Church End local centre. Travelling north on V4 Watling Street, what is the need for a red light for those turning left? Surely a give way sign would do?

3. The bewildering display of 13, yes, 13 lights as you approach the Primark turn into the stadium MK from V6 Grafton Street. Are they all really necessary?

4. At Grafton Gate in CMK, with the junction of Silbury Boulevard. Where once a perfectly good roundabout stood, now we have opposing signals with dangerous right turns.

5. The refurbished roundabout at the southern end of the A5D has a new traffic light system, which is fine, except the road markings don't appear to match the signage leading to confusion, particularly if you're turning off to Leighton Buzzard.

I'm sure traffic management and the placing of road markings (correctly) is a highly skilled job, but some of these junctions really are overkill.

WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE TRAFFIC LIGHTS IN MILTON KEYNES?

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Singing sensation: Bailey McConnell, 15, narrowly missed out on a place in the talent show final

Bailey bows out of BGT semi-final

BY JAMES AVERILL
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BAILEY McConnell has said he did 'all he could' to get to the final of Britain's Got Talent (BGT).

The 15-year-old singer-songwriter, from Crownhill, was narrowly edged out in Saturday's live semi-final.

The MK College student had secured a place in the top three courtesy of votes from the general public.

But after Jack Pack got through automatically with the most votes, it came down to the judges to decide between the youngster or 79-year-old dancer Paddy and her partner Nico. Though main judge Simon Cowell voted for MK's finest, fellow judges Amanda Holden, David Walliams and Alesha Dixon plumped for the dancing granny.

But Bailey was far from downhearted, telling MK NEWS: "The semi-final was really good. I still can't believe what Simon said about me. I think it was a really competitive night and all the acts were really good so I am glad I bowed out to such great acts.

"I think I did all I could. Simon hasn't approached me but it has just been a great experience and there isn't any more I could have asked for."

Bailey had promised the judges he would be performing a new song about his experience on the show if he got to the final but the cheeky youngster only said 'maybe' when we asked him if he would be performing it in Milton Keynes soon.

Bailey added: "Performing on that kind of stage has taught me what it could be like if my career took off.

"I have got further than I ever expected."

He could still get a chance to be in the final if he is selected as the wildcard entry – but the teen said he would 'wait and see.'

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Nick Hewer drives in

NICK Hewer, adviser to Lord Alan Sugar on The Apprentice and the presenter of Countdown, is coming to Stony Stratford. He hopes to bring his 1936 Austin Opal to the classic car rally at StonyLive! on Sunday.

How to win £20,000

BREAK The Safe at Xscape to win £20,000. Each purchase bought from a shop at the attraction from June 2-28 will have a unique code that may unlock it.

Four 'arson' attacks

FIREFIGHTERS attended four suspected arsons in three days. There was a bin fire in Marjoram Place, blazes in Bramble Avenue, Conniburrow and a playground in Heaverthwaite View, Broughton, and a rubbish fire in Granes End, Great Linford. Visit mkweb.co.uk

Social networks will remember war hero

THE story of Wolverton's First World War hero Albert French will be the focus of a week-long social media project.

MK Poet Laureate Mark Niel has edited the 16-year-old's letters home into stanzas of up to 140 characters that can be followed through Facebook or Twitter from Sunday. Students will also read from the letters during a live event at MK Rose on June 15, the anniversary of Albert's death.

Got an event planned to mark WW1's centenary? **mkweb.co.uk/contribute**

Armed thief targets shops

ROBBERIES have taken place at three shops in an eight day period.

Staff were threatened with a knife and forced to hand over money at Bradville Premier on May 20 at 11.15am, Londis in Downs Barn on May 24 at 8.30am and Londis in Great Holm on May 28 at 8.20pm.

The incidents are being linked by police as each time the man entered the shop and walked around before producing a knife. He is described as in his mid 20s or early 30s, of slim to medium build and 5ft 7ins to 6ft tall. Any witnesses should call police on 101.

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Concern as flag likened to KKK

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Given the red card: Asda's wearable England flag is being sold in celebration of the football World Cup but has been compared by some to the racist group, the Ku Klux Klan

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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MILTON Keynes Equality Council (MKEC) has slammed a supermarket's decision to sell a wearable England flag that could 'stir racial hatred'.

The flag sold at Asda, which has a hood, is being compared by Twitter users to the robe worn by members of the Ku Klux Klan (KKK) and MKEC is concerned it has the potential to cause 'tension and offence'.

The KKK, also known as the Klan or Hooded Order, is a racist, anti-Semitic movement started in America in the 1860s. It is known to use extreme violence to achieve its goals of racial segregation and white supremacy.

MKEC chairman Thillai Visvendran said: "MKEC abhors any kind of inequality as well as discrimination. The item sold by Asda may look innocent but an average person can connect it with the KKK outfit.

"Asda is also an American company, therefore, it must look at its policy on the sale of this potentially provoking item."

The supermarket giant is selling the football flag for £3 online and in stores, including ones in Bletchley and Wolverton, to encourage people to wear it and support England during the World Cup.

An Asda spokesman said: "We opted for a hood on our wearable England flag as you never know what the British weather will bring. We want customers to get behind the team without getting wet."

Chief executive of MKEC Navrita Atwal added: "Anything like this that has the potential to create disharmony and stir racial hatred and tension in society is bad. This outfit has the potential to cause tension and offence to others."

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Plant work begins

WORK on a waste recovery park in Dickens Road, Old Wolverton, which will deal with black sack waste, is due to begin on Monday.

Concert is streamed

A CONCERT called D-Day 70 Years On: Live from the Albert Hall will be streamed live to Cineworld, Xscape, on Friday at 8pm. For tickets go to www.cineworld.co.uk.

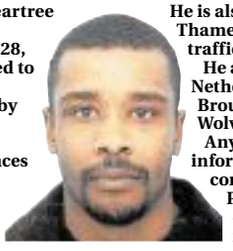
Classic car show

MORE than 100 classic vehicles will be on show at Motorama on Saturday in the Market Place and Silver End car parks in Olney.

Tooth knocked out

A WOMAN had a tooth knocked out during a robbery at an ATM in Oldbrook Boulevard, Oldbrook, on May 26. If you have any details call police on 101.

Cop hunt on for wanted man



POLICE are on the hunt for a man whose last known address was in Peartree Bridge.

Dwayne Peters, 28, *pictured*, who used to live in Ambridge Grove, is wanted by Hertfordshire Constabulary on suspicion of offences of threats to kill, harassment and criminal damage with intent to endanger life, which occurred in Letchworth.

He is also wanted by Thames Valley Police for traffic related offences.

He also has links to Netherfield, Broughton and Wolverton.

Anyone with information should contact the Herts Police non-emergency number 101.

Cockroaches in restaurant

THE owner of a town restaurant and supermarket has been ordered to pay £3,426.28 after cockroach infestations were found on the premises.

Sellathurai Thayaharan, owner of Sai Mantra and Sai Supermarket in Queensway, Bletchley, appeared before Milton Keynes magistrates on Friday and admitted six offences under the Food Hygiene Regulations – three for each premises.

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A royal visit for codebreaker HQ

BY JAMES AVERILL
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THE Duchess of Cambridge will pay a visit to Bletchley Park later this month.

Her Royal Highness will be coming to the home of the codebreakers on Wednesday, June 18 to mark the completion of the year-long restoration project, which has returned the site to its Second World War appearance.

An announcement from the Royal Household stated: "Her Royal Highness will view the restored location, tour the WW2 codebreaking huts and will hear about the achievements of the codebreakers whose work is said to have helped shorten the war by two years."

She will also get the opportunity to meet some of those veterans who worked at the Government Code and Cypher School during the Second World War, where encrypted messages sent by the Navy, Army and Air Forces of Germany and its allies were decrypted.

The Duchess will also view interactive exhibitions and demonstrations and be invited to plant a tree to commemorate her visit.

Kate will be escorted on her tour by Sir John Scarlett, chairman of the Bletchley Park Trust, as well as its chief executive officer Iain Standen.

The last major royal visit to the codebreaker site was that of Kate's stepmother-in-law Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall, who met veterans there in February last year.

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Restoration complete: Kate, the Duchess of Cambridge, will enjoy a Bletchley Park tour

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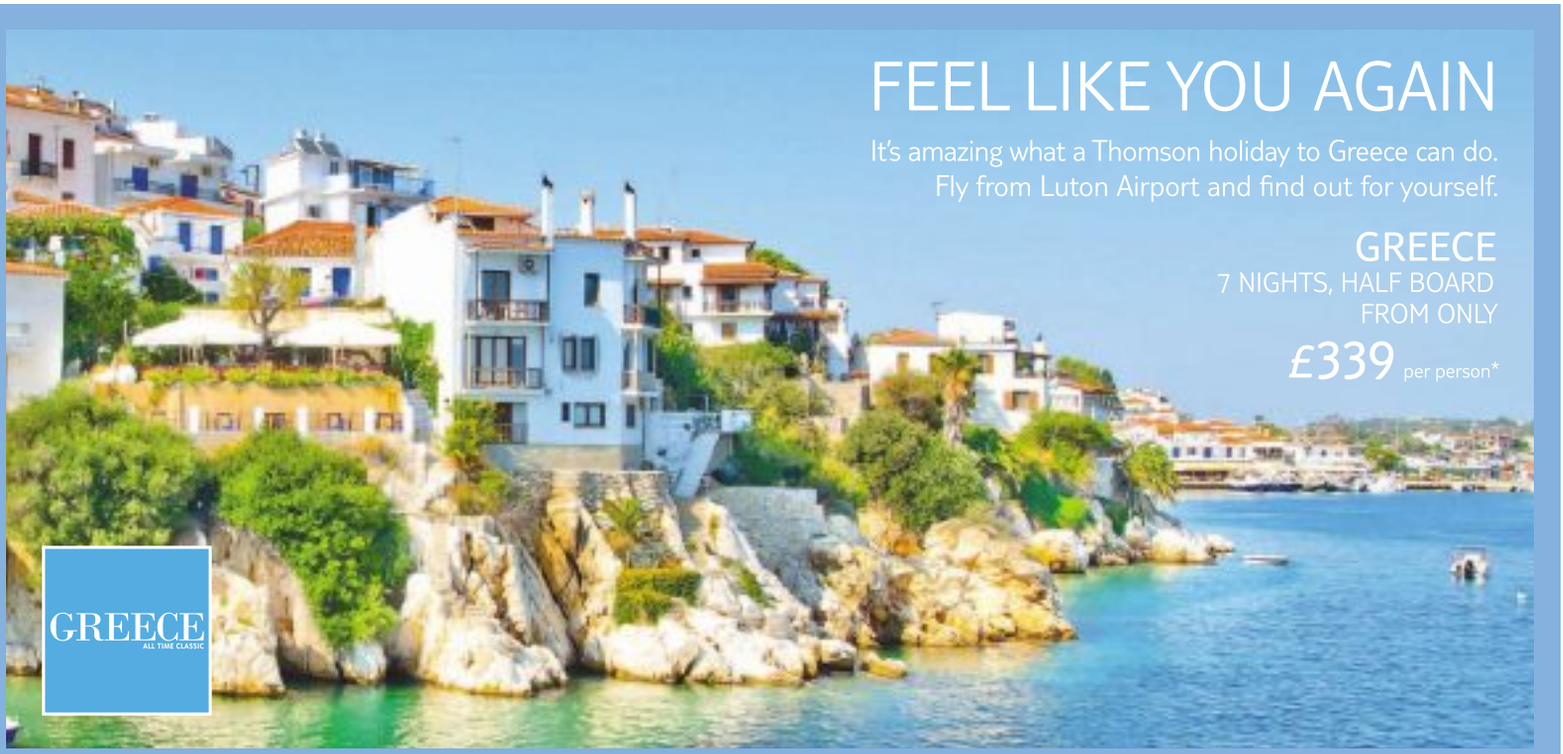

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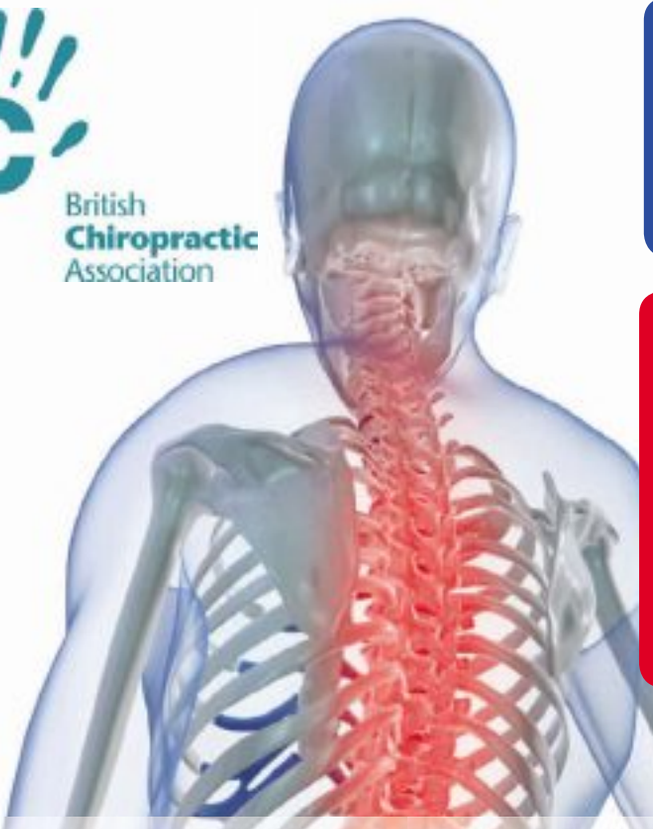

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Mythical snake artwork opened

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THERE'S a rumour going round these parts that the serpent has been awakened.

Or at least that's the mythical story behind the piece of public art that was unveiled in Ashland on Friday – a 140 metre-long water serpent made out of wood.

The artwork was commissioned two years ago after £100,000 of section 106 money – cash given to communities by developers – was made available.

That cash has been spent on the serpent and also on a mural and locals hope it will provide children with a place to go to play and have fun.

Groups including The Parks Trust, Simpson and Ashland Parish Council and Milton Keynes Council have worked together to create the serpent, which tells the story of a mythical creature that lived in the woods where Ashland now stands.

Designed by artist Chris Drury, it has been made from 500 green chestnut logs.

For more pictures and the song of the serpent www.mkweb.co.uk

Hiss: Artist Chris Drury, *above*, and kids enjoying the opening

Outdoor arts group Festive Road led a procession to reawaken the snake, which included music, stilts, puppets and a 'serpent song'.

David Baume, chairman of the parish council's public arts steering group, said: "We wanted something that would be beyond art and be something that could be engaged with."

Chris added: "Hopefully it can give the kids some happy memories."

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Liaison team to help gay people

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A TEAM of police officers will be helping to liaise with the LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender) community in the hope that it could lead to more hate crimes being reported.

A number of openly gay members of Thames Valley Police have been installed as lesbian and gay liaison officers (LAGLO) to engage with these groups in MK.

And they will be at LGBT venue Pink Punters, in Fenny Stratford, on Friday at 10pm to introduce themselves to the locals.

A 2013 report by gay charity Stonewall shows that one in six lesbian, gay and bisexual people have experienced a homophobic hate crime or incident over the last three years. And more than three quarters of those who suffered did not report it to the police.

PC Darren Nicholls is one of the six new LAGLOs for Milton Keynes, the others being Jon Moss, Tom Hughes, Lisa Bartram, Martin Duckett and Louise Lindsay.

Help at hand: LAGLOs Jon Moss and Darren Nicholls at Punters

Darren, who has been working with the gay community for four years, said: "There are some people who are not comfortable speaking to the police about it. They are concerned they may not be taken seriously and then some people are just embarrassed to talk about it.

"The idea is to reassure them that they are going to be taken seriously and we want to encourage people to report these kinds of incidents.

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Helping to save lives

BY JAMES AVERILL
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A NEWLY installed defibrillator at a heavily used sports facility could help save lives.

The device has been installed at the Woughton-on-the-Green Sports Pavilion, following fundraising efforts by the MK Dons Sport and Education Trust (SET) and Milton Keynes Rowing Club.

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Former Mayor Catriona Morris chose MK Dons SET as her charity of the year and said: "There are a lot of other teams and groups in the town who use the facilities so this will benefit the whole community and make the place safer."

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Call to keep bedroom tax tenants in homes

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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CAMPAIGNERS are calling on the new leader of Milton Keynes Council to not evict tenants who fall behind with their rent.

The Milton Keynes Anti-Bedroom Tax and Benefit Justice Campaign claims Labour, led by Peter Marland, said it would not force people to leave their homes after government changes to benefits.

The group is concerned tenants are being evicted since the introduction of the controversial 'bedroom tax' as they have had their payments reduced because they have a 'spare' room.

Member Kate Hunter said: "We are delighted Labour is back leading the council. Councillor Marland has said recently that sticking to your word is absolutely vital. We call on him to ensure there is no backsliding on the 'no evictions' pledge."

The group will stage a rally outside the Civic Offices at 12.30pm on Friday.

Cllr Marland, *pictured*, said: "We've always been clear that the bedroom tax is grossly unfair and that's why the Labour Party has pledged to abolish it nationally.

"Locally we've always been clear that we can not offer a blanket guarantee regarding evictions due to arrears because we do not want to encourage those who won't pay rather than can't pay.

"Evictions are often unhelpful and costly and we look forward to working with this group to make MK a fairer place to live."

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Unions will see Labour Party in MK

CRUCIAL talks between the Labour Party and its affiliated unions will take place in MK.

For the last 10 years the party has held discussions with the unions to set out agreements that will form part of its election manifesto.

The meeting – where passions have previously run high – will be held in the city from July 18-20, though no venue has yet been confirmed to MK NEWS.

Andrew Pakes, Labour's parliamentary candidate in Milton Keynes South, said: "This is good for Milton Keynes to be hosting such an important event for Labour as part of our preparation for the next election.

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TripAdvisor award: Children taking part in a battle re-enactment at the recent history festival. As well as various exhibitions, the museum holds many family days that include lots of hands on activities

Picture: Simon St Clare

Visitors enjoy a trip to museum

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MILTON Keynes Museum has been awarded a Certificate of Excellence by a world-leading tourism site.

The TripAdvisor award is only given to attractions that consistently receive outstanding reviews from visitors.

Bill Griffiths, director of the museum, said: "We're delighted to get this award and hope it will encourage all those who have yet to discover us to do so soon. I am especially proud that TripAdvisor, and all those who take the time to review us there, appreciate the efforts and hard work of the volunteers, who are the lifeblood of all we do."

The museum appears fifth in TripAdvisor's list of things to do in MK based on visitor ratings. It is topped by Experience The Country at Hounslow Hall Estate in Newton Longville.

Marc Charron, president of TripAdvisor for business, said: "The Certificate of Excellence award gives top performing establishments around the world the recognition they deserve, based on feedback from those who matter most – their customers."

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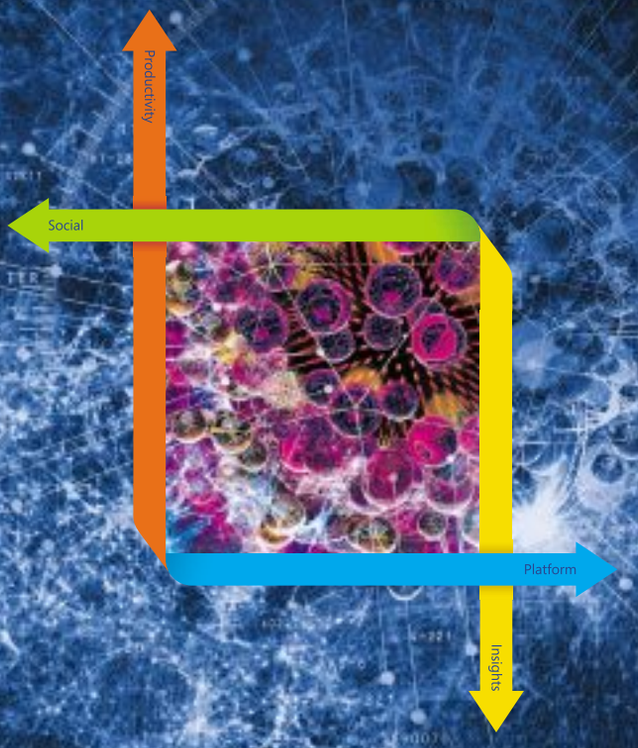

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Family head out to Brazil

A DAD and his two sons are heading out to the World Cup in Brazil – but not to watch England in the World Cup.

Tim Cutting and his sons Daniel and Benjamin are off to Sao Paulo on Sunday.

Daniel is a freestyle footballer who will be performing his skills, Ben will be coaching and taking football sessions and Tim – a pastor in Bletchley – will be speaking as they visit a prison ministry and families in the favelas. More at **www.mkweb.co.uk**

Off to the World Cup? Send pictures to us at mkweb.co.uk/contribute

The lads: Tim Cutting with his sons Daniel and Benjamin

Plan for park fails to create a splash

BY JAMES AVERILL
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A SPLASH park that had been earmarked for a site in a town is now 'unviable'.

West Bletchley Council had explored the possibility of building a splash park in Rickley Park – which would have had a number of different water features to entertain children.

But the authority has now received guidance from Milton Keynes Council's senior highways engineer regarding the likely requirements for parking.

And based on the level of use at a similar splash park in Leighton Buzzard, he estimated that the additional parking requirement could be in the region of 140 cars.

Now Liz Campbell, who is chairman of West Bletchley Council's community committee, says it will be potentially looking at other parks in the town.

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She said: "When we talked with MK Council it transpired for the number of parking spaces we would have needed the splash park itself would have been very small.

"So the Rickley Park site is totally unviable, but there are bigger parks in Bletchley that would be able to accommodate such a facility."

The town council is now seeking the views of residents as to where they feel the splash park could be located.

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Volunteering 'helps break the isolation'

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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A GROUP of young people with ME are encouraging more sufferers to volunteer.

On Saturday the group, supported by the Association of Young People with ME (AYME), discussed the benefits of volunteering as part of National Volunteering Week, which ends on June 7.

The Tongwell-based charity claims its volunteering scheme is helping to tackle feelings of isolation among young sufferers.

ME, often referred to as Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (CFS), causes a wide range of symptoms, including intense tiredness and aches and pains, affecting daily activities.

Pippa Marshall, 24, who attends the group, which meets every Saturday, to socialise and help out, said: "Volunteering gives you confidence and lets you meet people.

"It also takes you outside of your comfort zone, which I think is really important."

As well as a chance to work towards different volunteering awards, AYME's voluntary roles offer a variety of opportunities for young people with ME to connect with others.

They can manage the online message forums, be pen pals to individuals and provide an understanding ear to others.

Parent Lesley Foote said: "The condition is just one battle after the other. Their social skills aren't as good as they spend so much time in bed. Isolation is really common and that's hard to watch as a parent."

AYME's volunteer manager Sue Webb stressed how much of a 'lifeline' volunteering can be for young people with ME, as it encourages them to interact and improve their social skills.

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Helping others while helping yourself: AYME's CEO Mary-Jane Willows speaks to Lindsey Shorter, one of the young sufferers

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Taking to the ice in honour of Kris

Good sport: Kris Ledgard, 22, at the London 2012 Olympic Games

BY SCOTT KIRK
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A 24-HOUR ice hockey game will be held in memory of a city sports fan who died suddenly of a heart attack.

The ice hockey community has come together to raise funds for national charity Cardiac Risk in the Young (CRY) and the Kris Ledgard Foundation and Memorial Fund.

The fund was founded in Kris' honour following his death at his parents' Bradwell Village home in 2012.

The 22-year-old former Stantonbury Campus student excelled in sports, including football, running, ice hockey and tennis, before becoming a strength and conditioning coach with the Leicester Riders basketball team.

His family set up the fund in his memory and to raise money for CRY so more young people aged 14 to 35 can be screened for cardiac abnormalities.

Kris' brother Tomas, who is the fund's director, said: "As a family we're chuffed that the MK ice hockey community has chosen to support our charity and raise money for such a worthy cause so close to our hearts.

"We hope that this event will go a long way to meet our £100,000 target and raise awareness of cardiac abnormalities in young people."

The match will take place at MKIce, in the Food Hall in Midsummer Boulevard, on Saturday, July 12 from 12.30pm.

Throughout the match, DJ Karl Montford hopes to break the Guinness World Record for the longest DJ-ing at an ice hockey game by playing music during the intervals and stoppages.

A memorial game in Kris' honour will follow the charity match at the same venue at 4pm on Sunday, July 13.

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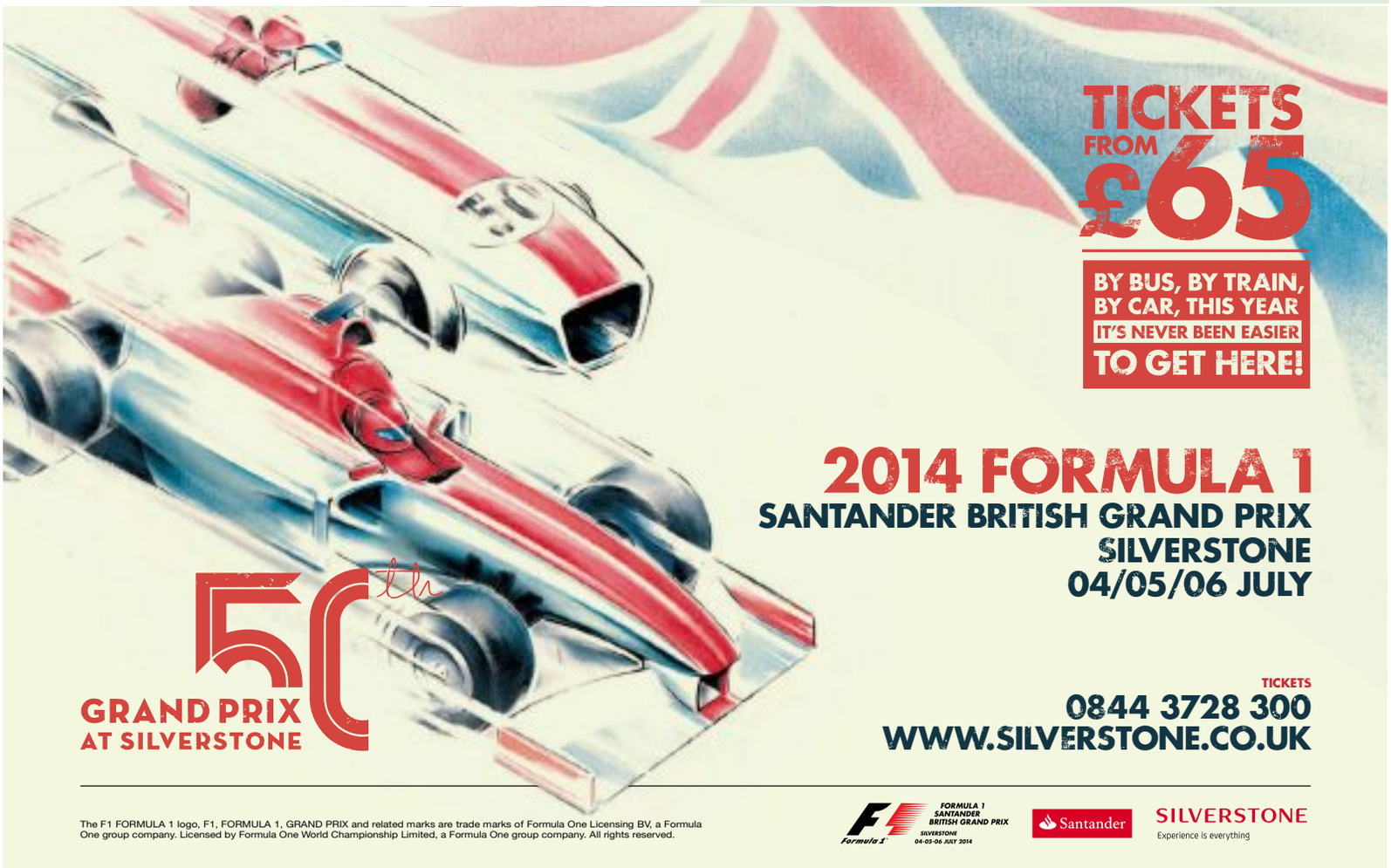
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Driver was beaten up by a passenger

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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A PRIVATE hire driver has told how he was beaten up by a passenger and had to take two weeks off work.

They got in touch with MK NEWS following last week's story about Faith Blumberger, 21, who claimed her money was thrown back at her by a Raffles driver in a dispute over how much she should pay.

But the driver, who did not wish to be named, said there are 'problems on both sides'.

He added: "I picked a man up from Pink Punters to take him to Shenley Church End and he didn't want to pay and he beat me up.

"I had to stay at home for two weeks and didn't have any money to pay my bills.

"One girl refused an £8 fair and hit me in the face, breaking my glasses before running away."

The driver said he had been badly treated by several customers who felt they were being asked to pay too much for their journey.

"They ask to be taken to a specific place but then want to stop at a cash point or go further," he added.

"They then wonder why the price is more.

"Young people, particularly young girls, can come across very aggressive, especially when they are in a group, and they cause me misery.

"Why can't they just talk to drivers in a nice way?"

The man said the police should do more when passengers abuse drivers.

He also thinks something should be done to improve the relationship between customers and drivers and hoped speaking out about his experience would be a step in the right direction.

He added: "Many customers think taxi drivers are stupid and they can abuse them, but they are just trying to earn a living."

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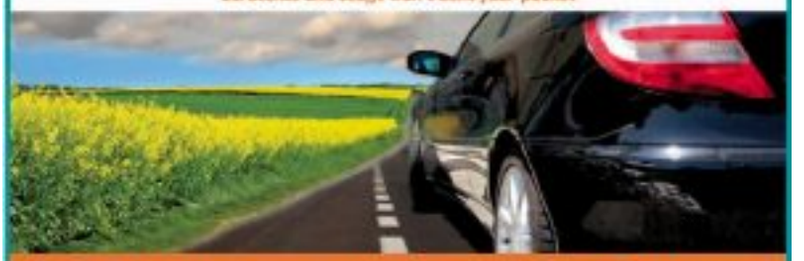

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Ex-cop denies drugs tip-offs

BY JAMES AVERILL
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A DISMISSED cop has denied using the police's computer system to give his smuggler friends the all-clear as they imported drugs from Europe.

Martin McElvenna, 54, told Southwark Crown Court that he had not provided tip-offs to a gang accused of importing large quantities of drugs into Britain.

It is claimed the ex-Thames Valley Police officer, who worked in Milton Keynes, carried out a string of checks on behalf of a 'close relative' and co-defendant in the alleged drugs ring, members of which cannot be named.

The eight-strong gang allegedly managed to import the drugs with the inside assistance.

Mr McElvenna, of Grange Park, Northampton, also allegedly searched for information about a car he planned to buy and another bearing the number-plate PH03 BEM – a planned present for his daughter, Phoebe.

On trial: Martin McElvenna

The illegal checks are said to have been made at Milton Keynes Police Station in September last year before Mr McElvenna was dismissed following a misconduct hearing. He was arrested on September 12 last year and interviewed on the same day.

Mr McElvenna appeared in the dock on Friday alongside the eight co-defendants.

Prosecutor Mark Gadsden said: "In the course of a police counter-corruption investigation by Thames Valley Police which was being conducted at this time, it came to light that PC Martin McElvenna had been conducting unauthorised searches or checks on the Police National Computer.

"The checks were on individuals and vehicles in a period of just over a year. The prosecution say that all of these checks were conducted by McElvenna at a close relative's request.

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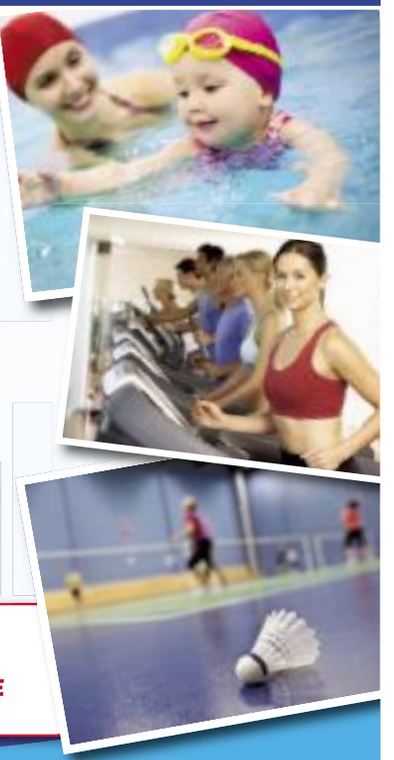

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OUTGOING mayor Brian White has spoken to reporter JAMES AVERILL about the highlights of his year in office

Brian plants tree in Emberton

BRIAN White is coming to the end of one of the busiest years of his life.

The outgoing Mayor of Milton Keynes will officially hand over the reins to his deputy, Lib Dem councillor Subhan Shafiq, at the mayor making ceremony at the Civic Offices tonight.

Cllr White, who hails from Belfast, moved to Milton Keynes in 1984 with his wife Leena.

He was elected to Milton Keynes District Council in 1987 and since then has held various positions in different incarnations of the authority. He was also elected as one of the borough's two MPs for Labour in 1997.

"I was lucky because I shadowed mayors during the time I was MP. Most mayors do around 600 events in one year and I knew what I was letting myself in for," said Brian.

"It's busy but I can tell you that a mayor does about half the work of an MP and that often goes unnoticed."

When taking over from Catriona Morris at this time last year, Brian promised to highlight the positive difference growing businesses could make on the local community.

He says: "I started out with the objective of promoting MK as a business city and I think businesses responded well to that.

"With the number of companies, such as Brioche, coming in it shows this is an attractive place to come to in the recovery."

During his tenure Milton Keynes has also been working towards becoming a Smart City – supporting sustainable growth without exceeding the capacity of the infrastructure, while meeting key carbon reduction targets.

"Every city says that they will be Smart, but MK has got projects such as the Transport Catapult which is putting us on par with cities such as Barcelona and Chicago," added Brian.

So how does the Labour councillor sum up his year?

"It's been very enjoyable," he concluded.

"One of the things that stands out is the planting of the last tree in Emberton Country Park, but the main highlight was the opening of MK Rose. It is so wonderful to see it now being used by so many members of the community and different groups.

"I want to show my gratitude to the people of this city as they have made it a wonderful 12 months for me."

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By Sam Potter

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Art: Sharon Henry is hoping to create a Fun Palace in Milton Keynes. It is a gathering of the community at one or several venues to discuss art and science. She hopes the many pieces of public art in Milton Keynes can act as a catalyst for people to create further works. Sharon has picked out the Peace Pagoda as one of the potential sites

Fun Palace in sight

BY JAMES AVERILL
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A WOMAN is calling for residents to help her create the first 'Fun Palace' in the city.

The concept of Fun Palaces was originally conceived in 1961 by Joan Littlewood and architect Cedric Price as a 'laboratory of fun' or 'university of the streets'.

It is a temporary and moveable place where people can gather to celebrate the arts and sciences and is aimed at involving the whole community.

And Sharon Henry, from APE MK (Articulate, Participate, Enjoy) is calling for residents to get in touch with her to get the idea moving forward.

She said: "We want public artwork to serve as inspiration for all to create original ideas of their own triggered by the artworks.

"We would like all in the community to create original short stories, songs, short films, pieces of music, performance art, dance, poetry, sketches, or sculptures inspired by these artworks.

"MK is the perfect place for people to get together to create their own events."

The Fun Palace could be held at one or several venues, such as the Peace Pagoda.

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Lisa Courtney, clerk of Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Town Council, started her walk for Marie Curie Cancer Care on Sunday, May 18 along with other fundraisers from across the country.

She said: "It was scary at times, but it was a life changing experience."

You can still donate cash by visiting www.justgiving.com/lisa-courtney

Film focus for studio and OU

JESSICA DUNCAN
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THE Open University and Pinewood Studios have joined forces to produce a free online course for people who are interested in a career in the film industry.

Budding directors and producers will be able to draw on the expertise of Pinewood – the home of the British film industry – combined with the academic excellence of one of the world's leading providers of distance learning.

The new course will explore the creative processes and business skills required when making movies, including all commercial aspects.

It will run worldwide and will be launched on FutureLearn.com – the Open University-backed platform.

Vice-chancellor Martin Bean said: "This course will not just offer a window into an industry, but through FutureLearn it will help equip people with some of the skills they need to succeed in the creative industry sector."

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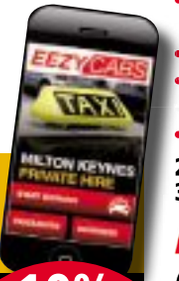

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New leader Edith is up for a 'challenge'

BY JAMES AVERILL
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EDITH Bald believes she is up to the challenge of becoming the new Conservative leader in Milton Keynes.

Cllr Bald – who was serving on the cabinet as portfolio holder for finance before the elections on May 22 – will replace Andrew Geary who has stepped down to spend more time with his family.

The former BT executive came in first place as one of three Tories elected in the Tattenhoe ward, but will now be leader of the opposition after Labour's success.

Cllr Bald was unanimously named as leader at a party meeting after the results were declared.

She said: "I am under no illusions that Andrew Geary is a hell of a tough act to follow. He has been tremendous and is very well respected across the city for what he has done.

"So I have to follow that, which is tricky, but I am up to the challenge."

Cllr Bald has already set her sights on improving the party's relations at a grass roots level, accepting it is sometimes hard to do in the hustle and bustle of running a city.

But she believes it is something they must improve on if they are to start winning back seats at the earliest opportunity – which comes next May when a third of the newly-elected council will be up for grabs again.

She said: "I think I have proved my ability. I would not accept that we haven't done a good job but now we need to make sure that residents believe in what we are doing.

"We were handed a challenge when we took over but I believe that we have delivered and are leaving it to Labour in a good state.

"But for me we haven't got our message across at grass roots level. That will be my main focus, whereas when I was in cabinet it was about getting into the finance role and moving that agenda forward."

Former deputy leader Cllr Hopkins said that Cllr Bald was the only candidate.

He said: "Edith has vast experience and has the full backing of all 18 Conservative councillors."

> "I am under no illusions that Andrew Geary is a hell of a tough act to follow. That is tricky, but I am up to the challenge."
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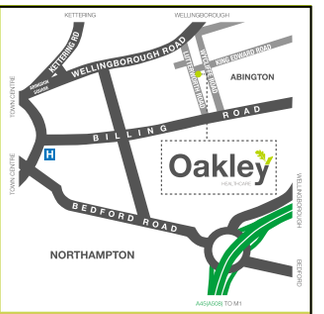

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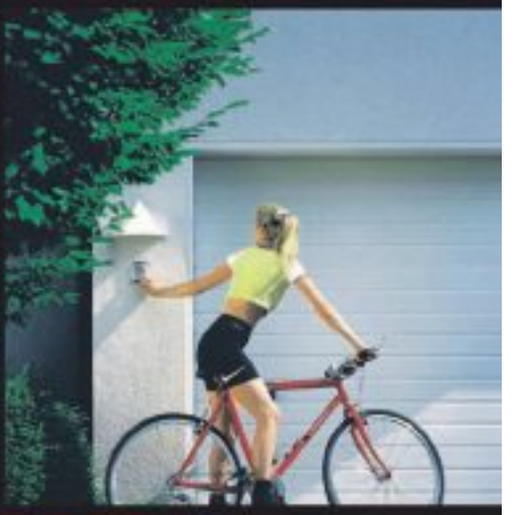

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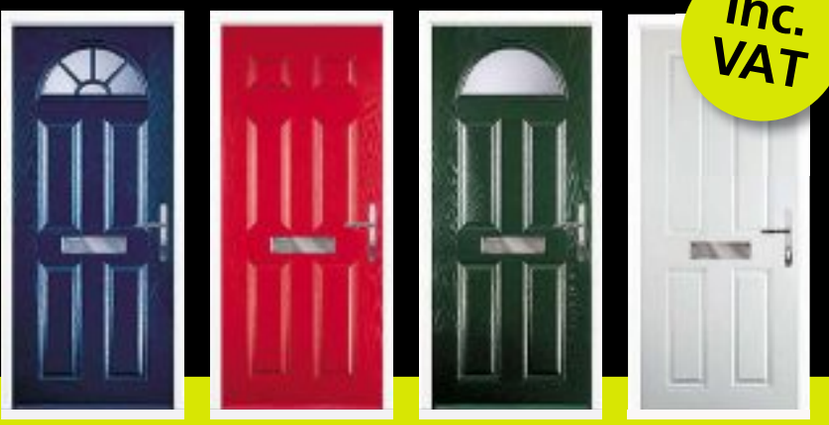

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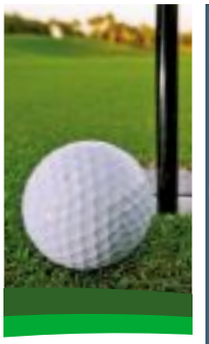

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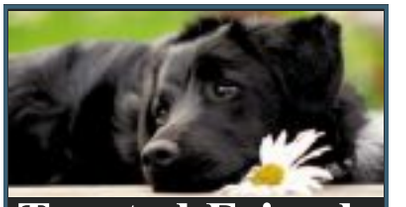

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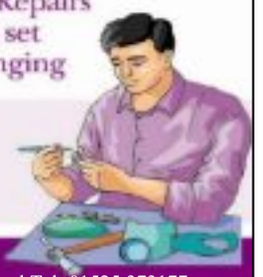

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BY JAMES AVERILL
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Joe Muscat, chairman and principal of business centres owner BUCKS-BIZ, welcomed Milton Keynes North MP Mark Lancaster to the i-Centre in Newport Pagnell last month.

He was joined by Jay Raj, director of surveyors and commercial property firm, Clock Property.

Mr Muscat, whose company owns Denbigh Business Park and Bletchley Business Campus as well as the i-Centre, said: "Mark is a great supporter of business and of BUCKS-BIZ so I know he will listen to the views of the commercial property sector over this issue.

"Empty business rates mean landlords like BUCKS-BIZ have to pay for properties lying empty.

"It is a big issue for us because with the money we pay to the Government we could be investing more heavily in our flexible units.

"We are doing well as a business and investing £650,000 in 25,000 sq ft of space for growing companies but we could do so much more."

Mr Raj said he would like to see more time given for the exemption period.

"Empty rates influence a firm's strategy and puts them under pressure to rent the units out after the period of exemption is over," he said.

Property landlords don't have to pay business rates on empty buildings for three months but after this time most firms must pay full rates.

Mr Raj added: "The limitation was brought in to focus the minds of landlords to rent out the property, but the recession has led to a lack of demand. An increase in the exemption period would be welcome."

Mr Lancaster said he was able to share with both the latest Government initiative for small businesses; a rate relief discount of 100 per cent until April 2015 for those with a rateable value below £6,000.

He said: "The Government has clearly listened to the concerns of business owners and has reacted very positively to offer support and encouragement to allow business to succeed and grow."

Business talk: Jay Raj, of Clock Property and Joe Muscat, from BUCKS-BIZ, discuss empty property rates with MK North MP Mark Lancaster at the i-Centre

Network with your neighbours at free event

MILTON Keynes Chamber of Commerce is trying to encourage more businesses to come together and network.

The chamber runs regular events to encourage all types of companies to make the most of networking and promote their businesses.

The events are based on different themes important for businesses to succeed, including meeting the neighbours – getting to know the businesses around you and making your brand more than just a name.

Members and non-members of the chamber can attend the events throughout the year to improve their contacts.

Some of the events are free and are based around a sit-down meal with a table change format, where attendees move to a different seat between each of the courses.

This ensures that all those taking part engage with as many businesses as possible during each event.

The chamber has more than 180 members with a total head count of 16,600 employees representing approximately 12 per cent of the city's workforce. It exists to make a difference to businesses, including ensuring views are heard within the Government.

The next free event on the importance of businesses' brand names will be at the University of Bedfordshire's Milton Keynes campus on June 16 from 9-10am.

■ For more visit www.mkweb.co.uk

Show support and shop local

THE Keep Trade Local challenge is returning this summer to encourage residents to support independent businesses.

The Federation of Small Businesses (FSB) Thames Valley is asking people to shop with local independent retailers and businesses between August 4 and 11 to put money back into the economy. They will also have the chance to win £250.

Every £1 spent with city butchers, farmers, solicitors and builders puts £1.76 back into the economy.

FSB launched the challenge on May 23 in Winslow with the Right Honourable John Bercow MP. It is the second year it has been held to encourage small businesses to work together to make their high street a place people want to visit.

It comes at a time when businesses are concerned that if people don't use their high street they may lose it.

The FSB is calling for local councils to look at how they can help make the grass roots of the economy prosper by supporting small organisations.

A spokesman from the FSB said: "We will have a totaliser to tell us how much people have put back into the community. This is a great way to bring together an entire region of independent businesses to see what can be achieved in just one week."

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A NEW business support initiative has been launched to offer free advice and grants of up to £10,000 to small and medium enterprises (SMEs).

Milton Keynes Chamber of Commerce (MKCC) is hoping Velocity will boost businesses and create more jobs in the city to help improve the local economy.

The nationwide scheme was launched in Milton Keynes at Bletchley Park at the end of last month.

Paul Griffiths, chief executive of MKCC, said: "Velocity is a very exciting initiative and one with which the chamber is delighted to be involved.

"The key point to make is that it's free business support and open to all businesses in Milton Keynes."

As well as match-funded grants of up to £10,000, the scheme offers a dedicated local helpline number – 01908 540637 – and companies can receive one-to-one support from business adviser Emmanuelle Clément.

Help: Daniel Mouawad and Gayle Pope from SEMLEP with Steve Bishop from Beach Marketing, which has an office in Milton Keynes, at the launch of Velocity that aims to help firms in the city

She said: "We are hearing all the time from SMEs who need funding that they are being turned down by banks; this is where Velocity can help with a cash injection to expand and develop.

"We are looking for business owners who would benefit from grant funding, mentoring and support and will work with them on a one-to-one basis to set out realistic and measurable growth plans and help turn these plans into reality."

Velocity is being provided to companies across the South East Midlands thanks to grants worth £1.75million from the Government's Regional Growth Fund. The fund is being managed through research and support from Lancaster University and the South East Midlands Local Enterprise Partnership (SEMLEP).

Daniel Mouawad, chief executive of SEMLEP, said: "One of the main objectives of Velocity is to increase employment opportunities and our aim is to create and protect at least 300 jobs across the South East Midlands with some of these being in Milton Keynes itself."

For more information and to make an appointment with a business adviser visit **www.mkweb.co.uk**

Help run up charity cash

A FIRM of solicitors is urging other businesses in the city to put on their running shoes and help raise money for charity.

Woodfines Solicitors, based in Silbury Boulevard, has supported the NSPCC Milton Keynes Half Marathon since 2011.

This year members of staff will once again be taking part in the event's Team Challenge.

Partner, Neil Gibbs, who will be taking part in the 13.1-mile race for the fourth time, said: "Woodfines is very pleased to once again play an integral part in raising funds for the NSPCC and we hope that other businesses will line up to race against us for the coveted Team Challenge trophy."

The half-marathon – supported by MK NEWS and MKWeb – will take place on Sunday, July 6, starting at The Webber Independent School in Soskin Drive at 10am.

All the money raised will go to support the NSPCC's pioneering ChildLine Schools Service, which helps youngsters recognise abuse and seek help.

To enter the Team Challenge, or to take part as an individual runner, as part of a relay team, or in the new Children's Fun Run, visit www.mkweb.co.uk

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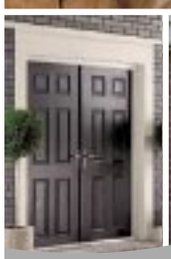

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Firm sits with the best

CITY-BASED start-up firm The Children's Furniture Company has been named among the brightest business start-ups in the country by startups.co.uk – the website for entrepreneurs and SMEs. Ranking at number 57, the company launched in October 2012. Managing director Paul Hanson said: "This reflects the success we have had, our innovative business model and ambitious plans."

Take part in survey

FIRMS can now take part in Milton Keynes Chamber of Commerce's latest Quarterly Economic Survey. It asks businesses for feedback on their experiences of trading during the second quarter of 2014 to gain a picture of the local economy. The findings are passed onto the Government and the Monetary Policy Committee. To take part visit www.britishchambers.org.uk/qes and enter Chamber ID number 83. The survey will remain open until June 16.

'Oustanding' IMServ

INDEPENDENT energy data management provider IMServ has received the British Land Managing Efficiently Supplier Award. Its success came for the 'outstanding delivery' of its Automated Meter Reading project, which enabled British Land to analyse its energy consumption to reduce carbon emissions and costings.

Refurb on the menu for pub

Revamp: Manager Michelle Brayshaw at The Eager Poet

A PUB that was once associated with 'drunken chavs' has been transformed into a family-friendly venue.

And this summer a six-figure refurbishment will turn The Eager Poet in Neath Hill into a 'Meet and Eat' pub to cope with the demand for more food.

The revamp will include booth seating and an extended kitchen.

Manager Michelle Brayshaw said: "We have worked hard to improve all aspects of the Eager Poet and feel the pub has now earned the positive reputation it deserves.

"There is demand for more food and it is very exciting to know that in a few months we will have new facilities."

Warehouse will cost £114m

THE massive Waitrose warehouse in Magna Park will cost £114million.

Funding has been agreed with Legal and General for the 'super shed', which is being developed by Gazeley.

Once constructed the unit, which will be size of 12 Premiership football pitches, will be leased by Waitrose for 30 years.

Nigel Godfrey, Gazeley's executive director, said work would be 'completed and handed over in under six months from now'.

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WHEN you pick up a carton of milk very little thought is spared by the average shopper about how it arrived on the shelf.

That is Nampak Plastics' job and it is so good at it that the awards keep flooding in.

The company, which has its headquarters on the Interchange Park industrial estate in Newport Pagnell, has won numerous awards for producing the nations' milk bottles.

In the last two months alone it has excelled at The Sustainable City Awards, winning the overall Sir Peter Parker Award for sustainable business leadership.

And its multi-award winning Infini bottle – which is 25 per cent lighter than the standard bottle – was also highly commended in the Responsible Waste Management category.

Then earlier this month it triumphed at the international DuPont Awards for Packaging Innovation, winning silver in the Packaging Innovation category – again for its Infini bottle.

Calling the shots: Managing director Eric Collins at Nampack Plastics and, *right*, one of the production lines

"Infini did change the industry," says managing director Eric Collins as we sit down to speak in his office.

So what is behind the company's continued success? Is it the world-class machinery on site that helps produce the award-winning products, or is it the 120 local people they employ?

"It's obviously a combination of both," says Eric.

"One would not work without the other. You can have the best technology in the world but you have to have committed people who are motivated and that's what we strive to invest in.

"We try and get out and about in the community in Newport Pagnell and go to the school and tell them a bit about us. The youngsters respond well."

The idea presumably is to ensure that some of those kids have a local job to look forward to.

The firm is certainly not short on work. More than 500 million bottles are made on the site every year, which are then transferred to dairies across the country.

And with more award nominations pending, Eric adds: "The milk bottle has been around for the last 30 years, but we are still keen to lead innovation for its future."

It is a philosophy that has served Nampak well and is surely the secret for any business wanting to bottle success.

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Subway fills vacancies

A NEW Subway store at the Welcome Break services in Newport Pagnell has created 20 jobs. The sandwich shop opened at the services just north of Milton Keynes, close to Junction 14 of the M1, on May 22. Subway's regional director, Tesh Patel, said: "A Subway franchise is the perfect fit for the busy Newport Pagnell motorway service station."

Green light for Louise

NORTHGATE Vehicle Hire, which has a branch in Milton Keynes, has appointed Louise Walton as head of customer support. Louise, who will be aiming to further strengthen the company's customer support network, said: "I will be focusing on building synergy and customer care across the company."

Xen opens new offices

XEN Consultants has opened new offices in Wolverton Mill. Launched in 2008 the firm now employs 20 people and develops sales strategies for businesses via telephone marketing.

The Pinnacle in office space

A NEW business centre has been opened by i2 Office in The Pinnacle.

Situated in Midsummer Boulevard the centre, which is over two floors, has been opened in response to the high demand for office space in the city and is designed to suit all business sizes.

Philip Grace, CEO of i2 Office, said: "Our building at Luminous House was our very first and has been popular since it opened in 2009. We now have 25 centres nationwide but we are particularly pleased to be expanding in the city where it all began in a building which is regarded as the best."

Further expansion for the office space providers is planned during 2014 with turnover expected to rise to more than £40million.

MK on the money for bank

Cashing in: Entertainment at the opening of second Metro Bank

METRO Bank opened its second Milton Keynes branch of the year at the end of last month.

The new building in Oakgrove arrives shortly after the city's first one was opened in Midsummer Arcade in January.

The 'revolutionary' bank opens on Sundays, allows dogs inside and offers 'magic money machines'.

Craig Donaldson, chief executive, said: "We're absolutely thrilled to be expanding our network in Milton Keynes."

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So what should you do if you have a private pension? Well again you can make a death benefits nomination. This is better than nothing but it is the bare minimum of planning you should do. Alternatively you might consider using the pension company's own trust. Unfortunately, most pension companies' own trusts are found wanting. They are usually fairly basic, lack flexibility, do not offer trustee loans and do not allow the trustees to keep the money in trust long term. They are free hence their limitations. You really do get what you pay for!

An excellent alternative to a pension company trust is a private family trust. The advantages of these trusts are many. You can appoint your own family members as the sole trustees, you can make trustee loans, the money can remain in trust for up to 125 years, you have flexibility and control. There is a fee to pay for this type of trust but the benefits far outweigh the costs.

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West Bletchley gets the carnival season up and running

THE weather may not be showing it – but summer is fast approaching and that means one thing.

Carnivals. And kicking off the season is the West Bletchley Carnival on Saturday.

The theme for this year's spectacular show is At the Movies – and MK LIFE and the carnival's organisers are encouraging you to get as many people in film fancy dress as possible.

We've even got a competition you can enter online at **www.mkweb.co.uk** where the best fancy dress or film lookalike can win a meal for two at Missoula restaurant.

But it's not just about the movies, as there will also be many great carnival traditions on offer, such as a fairground and almost 100 stalls packed full of fun things to do. There will also be a Formula One pitstop challenge, a tea tent and live entertainment courtesy of Real Music MK.

What really brings the community together though is the famous parade and pre-carnival entertainment will be available at Melrose Avenue from 10am.

This is where the parade will start before making its way to Rickley Park for noon, where the fun and activities will be on offer until 5pm.

And the great thing is, everyone is welcome and it is absolutely free to enter. Enjoy!

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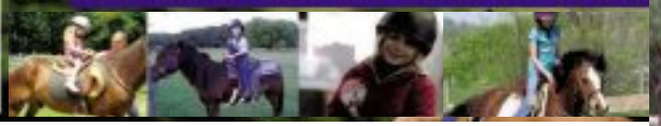

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New to the festival this year will be the StonyLive!Fringe and the intriguing Great Creature Caper, which the organisers hope will become traditions next year.

Pubs, restaurants, churches, community halls, fields, streets and alleyways will be abound with a cornucopia of colour and scintillating sounds.

THE 29th Bucks Open Studios, which showcases some of the best artistic talent in the county, starts on Saturday.

Around 500 artists and makers from across Milton Keynes and Buckinghamshire, including painters, ceramicists, those who work with glass, metal and jewellery, basket weavers, wood turners and people who make books, prints and silk, will be opening their studios to the public for free and showcasing their talent through free demonstrations, exhibitions and workshops.

So whether you are an art enthusiast, or just fancy an interesting day out, you can talk directly to the artists about their work and even be inspired to take up a new hobby.

Bucks Open Studios, which is the largest visual arts event in the county, runs until June 22.

Extreme knitter: People can follow Helen den Dulk's knitting trail around Westbury Arts Centre as part of Bucks Open Studios

familyfete

ALL the family are invited to Willen Hospice's Passenham Fete on Saturday.

From 12.30-5pm at Passenham Manor and neighbouring St Guthlac's Church, visitors can enjoy stalls and entertainment, facepainting and henna tattoos, cream teas and cakes, a Pimms tent, pony petting, a fire engine and more.

There will also be talks on the historic house and Tithe Barn at 2pm.

Entrance costs £2 for adults, £1.50 for over 60s and under 12s go free. There will be free parking.

All the money raised will go to Willen Hospice to help it care for those in their final days.

racericciardo

THIS is a once in a lifetime opportunity to test your motor skills against some of the very best.

This year Infiniti Red Bull Racing is leaving its Tilbrook factory to host its #OPENHOUSE event.

While previous #OPENHOUSE events have included driver meet and greets and pit stop practices, this year fans will be meeting drivers and putting pedal to the metal with a go-kart challenge against Daniel Ricciardo, Adrian Newey and Christian Horner.

Infiniti Red Bull Racing is offering one MK LIFE reader – plus a guest – a place at the event on July 1 at a city go-kart circuit.

The lucky winner will get the chance to attend the team's exclusive event ahead of the 2014 British Grand Prix.

This will include a chance to try and beat lap times set by Australian Ricciardo, **pictured**, and fellow Red Bull young gun Sebastien Buemi.

There will also be the opportunity to get autographs from the F1 racers and get some driving tips from team principal Christian Horner and chief technical officer Adrian Newey.

There will also be lunch, a demo by BMX rider Kye Forte and a great team goody bag to take home afterwards.

To be in with a chance of winning, simply answer the following question:

What country does Daniel Ricciardo come from?

A) Italy B) Germany
C) Australia D) France

To enter visit www.mkweb.co.uk/competitions You can also send your answer, name, address and daytime phone number to MK NEWS, 1 Diamond Court, Fox Milne, MK15 0DU by Wednesday, June 11. The editor's decision is final

WIN chance to race against red bull's daniel ricciardo

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doublecomedy

HAVE a laugh at two shows from The Comedy Cow this week.

On Friday rising star Joel Dommett will perform. He got rave reviews for his solo show Neon Hero in 2011, was a Nunchuck silver medallist in 2012 and has also appeared on BBC Three show Russell Howard's Good News.

Olaf Falafel will open the show with a mixture of one-liners and Scandinavian-tinged stories and the compere will be Dublin-based Rory O'Hanlon, whose observational comedy has made him a UK hit.

Doors open at 7.30pm with the acts taking to the stage at 8.15pm.

On Monday, Chris Martin, who previously supported Milton Jones, Jack Whitehall and Russell Kane on tour, will perform.

Doors open at 7pm for a 7.45pm start.

Both events take place at The Crown in Market Square, Stony Stratford.

Tickets are £8 for Friday's gig and £5 for Monday's performance and are available from thecomedycow.ticketsource.co.uk/

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filmreview

ANGELINA Jolie stars as the Mistress of all Evil in this enchanting untold story of Disney's most iconic villain.

While the story struggles in places it still manages to create dark moments that rival Grimm fairytales.

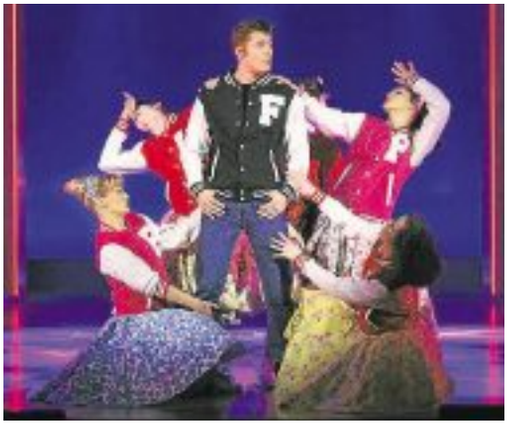
You will have to be patient as the film slogs through 30 minutes of clumsy writing and mediocre special effects, but it is soon soaring on timeless fairytale appeal.

Jolie's performance is spellbinding and pushes Maleficent to be more than just the average family flick. Unfortunately Elle Fanning's sweet Aurora is tiresome, but she can turn on the waterworks on cue.

Some CGI is sloppy and rushed, but nothing can take away from the great choice of settings. The dazzling backdrop of the magical kingdom versus the cold harsh world of men makes for stunning viewing.

If you can forgive the occasional shoddiness, Maleficent summons the occasional sense of awe thanks to Jolie in the starring role.

★★★★☆ **Rachael West**



fonzfun

HAPPY Days are here again with the premiere of a new UK tour based on the hit TV series.

Happy Days – A New Musical is a hilarious feel-good show that is guaranteed to have you rockin' and rollin' all week long.

Join your favourite 50s family, the Cunninghams, and the rest of the gang – Potsie, Ralph Malph, Joanie and Chachi – as they battle to save their beloved diner Arnold's from demolition.

In a race against time, can everyone's favourite hero The Fonz save the day?

The show is written by Garry Marshall, the legendary creator of the popular television series.

Henry Winkler, the original Fonz from the television series, is the creative consultant.

West End leading man and Emmerdale star, Ben Freeman, takes on the iconic role of The Fonz, while Cheryl Baker plays Mrs Cunningham and Sugababe Heidi Range is Pinky Tuscadero.

The show runs at Milton Keynes Theatre from June 16-21, with tickets costing between £12 and £38.50.

They can be bought from the box office on 0844 871 7652, or by visiting www.atgtickets.com/miltonkeynes

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Ouse Valley Park 10am £1/person

Sat 7 Jun
BARK IN THE PARK
Meet in the Roman Villa car park, Constantine Way, Bancroft off H2 Millers Way. **Loughton Valley Park 10am £1/dog**

Sun 8 Jun
EASY RIDERS
100km cycle ride in aid of Willen Hospice and the Cyclists Defence Fund. Meet at Salcey Forest Café.
9.45am £5/person

Sun 8 Jun
ORIENTEERING
Park in the car park on Davy Avenue, Knowlhill. **Teardrop Lakes 10am – 12pm £5/entry**

Thu 12 Jun
RANGER RAMBLE
Meet in Manor Farm car park, off Old Wolverton Road.
Ouse Valley Park 6pm £1/person

Thu 12 Jun
DISCOVER: WILDFLOWERS
Adult education course. Booking essential. Park in the car park on Wolverton Road opposite Oakridge Park. **Stonepit Field 6.00pm – 7.30pm £5/person**

Sat 14 Jun
STONY RIVERSIDE FAIR
A wonderful family afternoon with fun activities and free attractions for children. Park in Stony Stratford town car park. **Millfield, Stony Stratford 1pm – 4pm Free**

Thu 19 Jun
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thepaperboys

THERE will be plenty of global beats to tap your feet to when this band stop by.

The Paperboys were formed by Mexican-born Tom Landa in the mid-1990s in Vancouver, Canada.

In a music scene dominated by flannel and grunge, Tom had a vision of forming a band that fused folk, Celtic and blue-grass music with pop and rock.

He was armed with a dozen self-penned tunes and a lot of drive and ambition.

The sound of the band has evolved a lot since the early days and now it includes horns and digs deep into Tom's Mexican heritage by adding Son Jarocho and Afro-Mexican grooves to the mix.

The Paperboys will be playing at The Stables in Wavendon at 8pm on Tuesday.

Tickets – which cost £15 – can be bought online at www.stables.org or by calling the venue's box office on 01908 280800.

soundingout

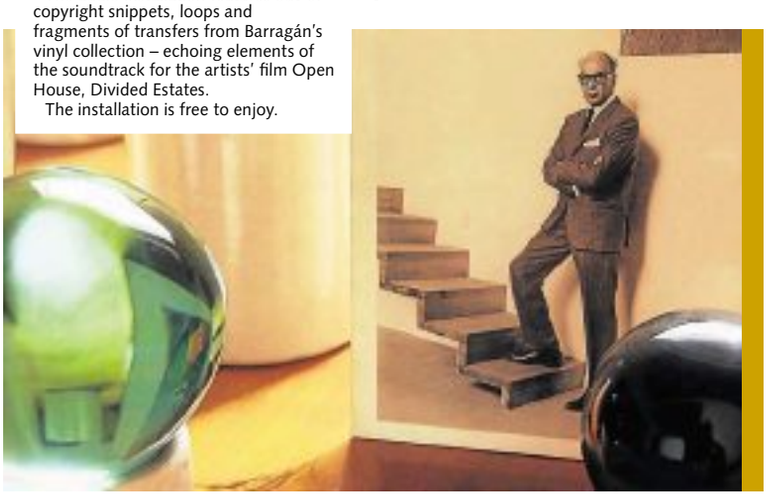
TIME is running out to see Biblioteca, Tapanco, Recámara at MK Gallery.

The sound installation that takes music ripped from Luis Barragán's vinyl collection, recorded in three different rooms in Barragán's house, and presents them as an archival audio stream outside the gallery closes on June 15 .

The work appropriates the tactics of Mexico City's ambulantes – travelling music vendors who ride the city's Metro system selling pirate CDs while broad-casting chopped-up preview snippets of their catalogue from hacked backpack sound systems.

The audio installation features out-of-copyright snippets, loops and fragments of transfers from Barragán's vinyl collection – echoing elements of the soundtrack for the artists' film Open House, Divided Estates.

The installation is free to enjoy.



JAMES Frost is our garden expert. In his latest column for MK LIFE, the MD of Frosts Garden Centre gives his top tips on how best to look after your lawn as we move into summer

NOW we are into early summer there is a lot to do in the garden.

In the vegetable garden you can start to harvest early salad crops if they have been protected and early potatoes are ready to dig.

Tomatoes should be regularly tied in and side shoots pinched out to encourage growth and fruiting. Regular sowings into the ground of peas, French beans, beetroot and carrots will produce a continuous crop over the summer.

Cottage garden plants are making rapid growth and will need support via caning or plant supports – these sit unobtrusively around the plant and maintain a natural look.

Perennials that have flowered can be cut to ground level to encourage a new growth flush. Also hardy geraniums that have over flowered or are getting too big can be cut.

Now frost has disappeared until later in the year bedding containers and baskets can be put onto the patio – feed weekly with a high potash fertiliser.

Finally, lawns should be cut regularly (use a higher cut setting if we have long periods of dry weather) and feed now with high nitrogen fertiliser if you are suffering from weeds.

Your essential guide to events big and small throughout Milton Keynes

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wytchmarket

FEEL bewitched and bedazzled at Wytches Markets Ltd's second event in Milton Keynes.

There will be more than 40 fascinating stalls at The Buszy in Central Milton Keynes. The market will run from 10am to 5pm on Saturday and costs £1 to enter.

happyanniversary

ON SATURDAY the curtain will rise on the ruby anniversary of Stantonbury Arts & Leisure, with a fantastic day of free fun and activities for the whole family.

Many of the local groups who have made the Stantonbury Theatre stage their home will perform at the celebration, which will also see a summer craft market, fun fair, plant sale and magic show.

Festive Road will take some of their giant puppets to the theatre too.

The event from 10am-4pm will be raising money for Willen Hospice.

fashionshow

THE Summer Fashion Show will return to Rose Court, Olney, on Friday.

With clothes from Bex, Woosters, Ruby's Lingere, NOA NOA and Lily T, there will be something for everyone.

Models will show the latest summer collections including beachwear.

Refreshments will be available from The Courtyard Brasserie and La Cantina and there will be a live performance from Clem Curtis from The Foundations.

Tickets cost £5 from NOA NOA in Market Place, or call the shop on 01234 713375.

cyclingfestival

THE first Milton Keynes Cycling Festival will be held on Saturday and Sunday along Midsummer Boulevard.

On Saturday from 10am, the National Youth Circuit Race Series will be held, with a number of races taking place for the under 16s.

A free cycle ride for all abilities will take place on Sunday from 1-3.30pm. If you don't have a bike you can hire one on the day.

There will be other activities and displays going on throughout the weekend including a Funzone, outdoor fun bike area and bouncy castle.

veryvintage

THE MK Handmade & Vintage Weekend Extravaganza is back and will see 120 stalls take over Middleton Hall at thecentre:mk.

The indoor market will be crammed with handmade, vintage and upcycled treasures of every kind showcasing the very best, most original and, importantly, most affordable independent designer-makers and vintage traders in the area.

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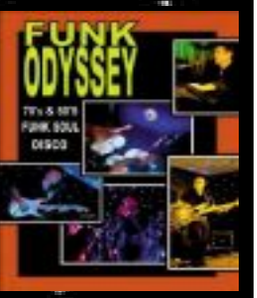

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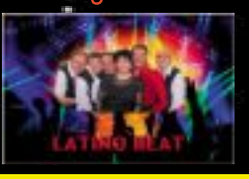

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Wednesday, June 4, 2014

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Built less than four years ago to a high spec eco standard, it boasts many features that make it extremely good value.

This property takes full advantage of solar energy, which means the buyer will be able to save a significant amount of money on utility bills.

This is also a fantastic opportunity to combine high quality modern living with great views and a central location.

This property will suit the needs of a wide variety of families and individuals, with versatile living space, including three private balconies.

Further benefits include close proximity to Central Milton Keynes, with a wide range of leisure and shopping facilities, a bike store and secure underground parking.

Viewing of this special property, on the market for £280,000, is highly recommended. Call Local Estate Agent (Milton Keynes) on 01908 567194.

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A spacious five bedroom detached family home available for sale in the heart of Willen. Situated on a generous plot the property also benefits from generous room sizes and a good degree of seclusion.

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Furzton

- Detached Property
- Six Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Double Garage
- Large Rear Garden
- Cul-de-Sac Location

An exceptional six bedroom detached, individual design, family home in this quiet cul-de-sac in Furzton. Includes a double garage that has been partially converted into a gym, gas central heating and a large private rear garden.

£665,000

Towcester

- Five Bedrooms
- Entrance Vestibule
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Newport Pagnell

- Beautiful Thatched Cottage
- Village Location
- Stunning South Facing Rear Garden
- Period Charm with Modern Facilities
- Oil Fired Central Heating
- Mains Drainage

Wonderfully presented four/five bedroom character thatched cottage situated on a plot of approximately 0.5 acres, set well back from Cranfield Road in the highly sought after village of Moulsoe, close to Milton Keynes with excellent travel links to London.

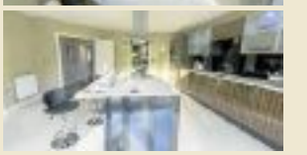
£950,000

Milton Keynes

- Detached Property
- Five Bedrooms
- Four Reception Rooms
- Five Bathrooms
- Double garage
- Garden

A stunning five bedroom detached former show home in the ever popular Oxley park. Set on a private development behind electric gates with views over parkland, this former showhome boasts flexible living space with a bright ultra modern interior.

£950,000



Newport Pagnell

- Detached Cottage
- Separate Annexe
- Four Bedrooms
- Private Gated Drive
- Double Carport
- Private South Facing Garden

A delightfully charming, Grade II Listed detached cottage available for sale in this stunning position in the village of Moulsoe. The fully enclosed plot includes a private gated driveway suitable for parking multiple vehicles as well as a double carport.

£825,000

Ridgmont

- Five Bedrooms
- Detached Property
- Detached Annexe
- Close to Conservation Area
- Countryside Views
- Villiage Location

This charming period property was originally part of the Duke of Bedford's estate and is situated in this sought after village offering countryside views and easy access to junction 13 of the M1 motorway and express train routes to London.

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- Detached Property
- Four Bedrooms
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- Cloakroom

A substantial and very well presented four bedroom detached residence set on a larger than average plot in the sought after location of Woolstone. Offering a village feel, peaceful setting and flexible living space. Large driveway for multiple cars.

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Loughton

- Detached Georgian Property
- Four Bedrooms
- Five Reception Rooms
- Four Bathrooms
- Garden
- Double Garage & Parking

An exceptional Georgian style property available for sale in the very popular location of 'Loughton'. This sizeable family home has a very large and private back garden and also boasts a double garage and parking.

£700,000

Milton Keynes

- Five Double Bedroom Detached Property
- Four Reception Rooms
- Three Bathrooms
- Private Driveway Parking
- Double Garage
- Extensive Gardens

Situated on a generous plot in Shenley Lodge this high specification property boasts a high degree of privacy, ample driveway and double garage.

£650,000

Milton Keynes

- Well Presented Detached Home
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- Double Garage
- Chain Free

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- Lounge
- Garden
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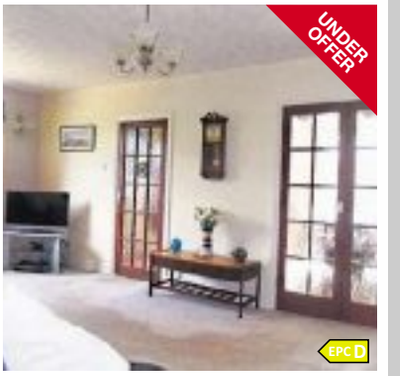
- Three Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Many Character Features
- Two Reception Rooms
- One Bathroom
- Garage



Middleton £300,000

- Three Bedroom Detached Home
- Kitchen/Diner & Utility Room
- En-Suite to Master Bedroom
- Garage & Off Road Parking
- Front & Rear Gardens

Ashland £279,995

- Four Bedroom Detached Townhouse
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- Utility Room
- Garden & Garage

Oakhill £250,000

- Two Bedroom Coach House
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Oldbrook £242,000

- Three Bedroom Home
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- Three Bedroom Detached Home
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Conservatory & Gardens
- Driveway & Garage

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- Three Bedroom Semi Detached Home
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- Bathroom
- Sought After Area

Oldbrook £220,000

- Three Bedroom Detached Home
- Kitchen & Dining Room
- Utility Area
- Front & Rear Garden

Great Linford £209,995

- Three Bedroom Detached Home
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Lounge/Diner
- Off Road Parking

Ashland £235,000

- Three Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Cloakroom
- Living Room
- Kitchen Breakfast Room

Stantonbury £189,995

- Four Bedroom Detached Home
- Cloakroom
- Utility Room
- Study/Family Room

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Ashland £369,995
- Five Bedroom Detached Home
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Two Reception Rooms
- Gardens
- Off Road Parking

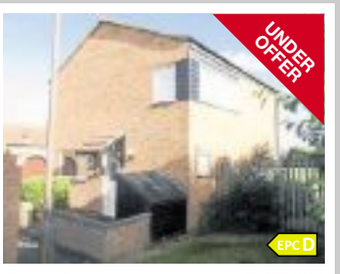
Furzton £315,000
- Four Bedroom Detached Home
- Re-fitted Kitchen & Dining Room
- Conservatory & Cloakroom/WC
- Gardens & Garage
- Viewing Recommended

Great Linford £209,995
- Three Bedroom Detached Home
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Lounge/Diner
- Off Road Parking
- Front & Rear Gardens

The Hub £200,000
- Two Bedroom Home
- Lounge & Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Garden & Parking

Oldbrook £200,000
- Three Bedroom Bungalow
- Shower Room
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Cul-de-Sac Location

Oakhill £195,000
- Two Bedroom Apartment
- Two Bathrooms
- Off Road Parking
- No Chain

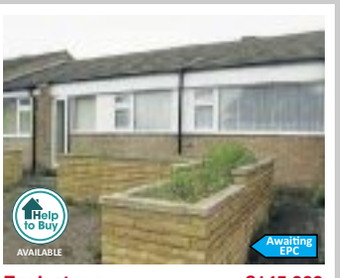


Eaglestone £189,000
- Four Bedroom Detached Home
- Kitchen & Lounge/Diner
- Conservatory & Rear Garden
- No Chain

Milton Keynes £187,000
- Two Bedroom Apartment
- Kitchen & Living/Dining Room
- Bathroom
- Off Road Parking

Willen Park £170,000
- Three Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Kitchen/Dining Room
- Garden
- Garage

Eaglestone £169,995
- Three Bedroom End Terraced Home
- Kitchen/Diner
- Front & Rear Garden
- Garage



Eaglestone £145,000
- Two Bedroom Bungalow
- Kitchen & Bathroom
- Two Reception Rooms
- Garden & Garage

Beanhill £140,000
- Two Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Lounge/Diner & Bathroom
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Viewing Recommended

Springfield £105,000
- One Bedroom Apartment
- Lounge/Kitchen & Bathroom
- Well Presented Accommodation
- Viewing Highly Recommended

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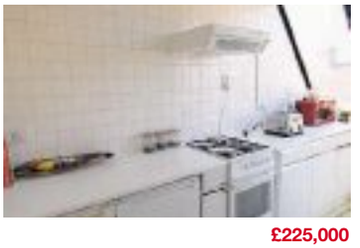
Stony Stratford **£325,000**

- Three Bedroom Home
- Reception Room One/Snug
- Reception Room Two/Lounge
- Reception Room Three/Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Rear Garden
- Viewing Recommended

Haversham **£285,000**

- Four Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Three Reception Rooms
- Conservatory
- Utility Room
- Loft
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Beautiful Countryside Views



Stony Stratford **£225,000**

- Individual Three Bedroom Apartment
- Gas Radiator Heating
- En-Suite Facilities
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Garage
- Chain Free
- Centre of Stony Stratford

Whaddon **£390,000**

- Four/Six Bedroom Detached Home
- Two Bedroom Annexe
- Beautiful Village Location
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Rear Lobby

Deanshanger **£250,000**

- Four Bedroom Home
- Well Presented Accommodation
- En-Suite to Master Bedroom
- Exterior Garden & Garage
- Viewing Recommended

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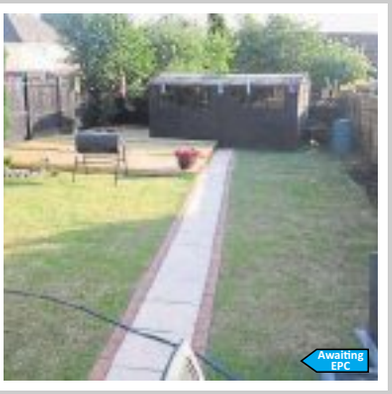
Bletchley **£269,995**
- Four Bedroom Home
- Cloakroom
- En-Suite Shower Room
- Kitchen/Diner
- Lounge

Bletchley **£239,995**
- Extended Four Bedroom Home
- Fitted Kitchen
- Shower Room & Bathroom
- Garage & Enclosed Gardens
- Close to Local Transport Links



Bletchley **£237,500**
- Three Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Extended Accommodation
- Reception Room/Bathroom
- Garden
- Off Road Parking

Bletchley **£235,000**
- Three Bedroom Detached Home
- Two Reception Rooms
- Fitted Kitchen
- Garden & Garage
- Cul-de-Sac Location

Bletchley **£230,000**
- Three Bedroom Detached Home
- Two Reception Rooms
- Family Bathroom
- Front & Rear Garden
- Garage

Bletchley **£199,995**
- Three Bedroom Terraced House
- Cul-de-Sac Location
- Garage & Off Road Parking
- Good Transport Links
- Viewing Recommended

Bletchley **£187,500**
- Two Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Fitted Kitchen
- Large Living Room
- Enclosed Rear Garden
- Close to Local Amenities

Milton Keynes **£290,000**
- Four Bedroom Moreton Home
- Handy Utility Room
- Separate Living Room
- Spacious Kitchen & Dining Room

Bletchley **£255,000**
- Three Bedroom Townhouse
- Light & Airy Living/Dining Room
- Comtemporary Fitted kitchen
- Guest Cloakroom

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Westcroft **£360,000**

- Five Bedroom Family Home
- Cloakroom & Utility Room
- Kitchen/Diner
- En-Suite & Bathroom
- Garden & Parking

WANTED

Can you help? Mr N urgently requires a four bedroom detached in Shenley Brook end. Call 01908 524456 if you are looking to sell for the best price now

Westcroft **£219,950**

- Four Bedroom Terraced Home
- Three Bathrooms
- Kitchen & Cloakroom
- Off Road Parking

Milton Keynes **£350,000**

- Four Bedroom Detached Home
- Kitchen & Conservatory
- Utility Room & Study
- En-Suite & Bathroom
- Garden & Double Garage

Oakhill **£190,000**

- Three Bedroom Terraced Home
- Ideal First Time Buy
- Kitchen/Diner
- Off Road Parking

Milton Keynes **£85,000**

- Two Bedroom First Floor Apartment
- Open Plan Living Space
- Bathroom
- Shared Ownership

Milton Keynes **£215,000**

- Three Bedroom Family Home
- Re-fitted Bathroom & Kitchen
- Lounge
- Gardens & Carport
- No Chain

Milton keynes **£27,000**

- Shared Ownership Scheme
- One Bedroom Upper Floor Apartment
- Kitchen & Balcony
- Communal Gardens

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Taylors Westcroft registered 48 applicants this week purely looking for property in Tattenhoe. Can you help? Call us now on 01908 524456

Milton Keynes **OIEO £200,000**

- Two Bedroom End Terraced Home
- Reception Room
- En-Suite
- Garden
- Garage

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Great Holm £275,000

Wilson peacock are proud to offer for sale this four bedroom family home in the popular location of Great Holm, with great school catchments and local amenities this property is a must view. The accommodation briefly comprises kitchen/diner, lounge, four bedrooms and a family bathroom.

Wavendon £475,000

This is a well presented detached bungalow, extended and improved from its original form and located on the edge of Wavendon. The gardens are approximately 1/5 acre and mainly lawn.

Milton keynes £215,000

Fantastic three bedroom terraced property in the fantastic location of Shenley Lodge in need of refurbishment. Outside there are rear gardens and an allocated space in a carport.

Broughton £300,000

Very well presented four bedroom townhouse situated on Shackerstone Close in Broughton. Comprising 16ft kitchen/diner, master with en-suite, family bathroom and attractive rear garden.

Furzton £213,000

Three double bedroom property. There is easy access to Lakes which is a favourite for walking and is situated in the popular location of Furzton.

New Bradwell £165,000

Two double bedroom semi detached property situated in New Bradwell. Comprises entrance hall, lounge/diner, kitchen, first floor landing, two double bedrooms and a spacious bathroom.

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A four bedroom detached family home situated in a quiet cul-de-sac. The property has been fully renovated over the years by the current owner and boasts a modern European luxury theme.

Newport Pagnell £340,000

Four bedroom detached family home situated on one of the most sought after roads in Newport Pagnell.

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Newport Pagnell £275,000

Three bedroom detached family home, this property was built three years ago by the renown builder Charles Church, the home is pure quality throughout and the current vendor has kept it immaculate.

Newport Pagnell £220,000

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Stantonbury £185,000

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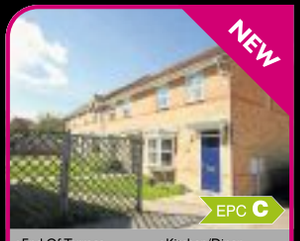
This beautiful Grade II listed thatched cottage dating back to the fifteenth century has been lovingly cared for by the current owner. With many features to include exposed beams and picturesque views. A magnificent find with plenty of history and character.

Little Horwood £600,000

A well maintained four bedroom detached house ideal for the growing family, benefiting three reception rooms, two en-suites and a family bathroom. Situated on the south westerly side of Milton Keynes and located with sought after schools nearby.

Westcroft £340,000



- End Of Terrace
- 3 Bedrooms
- Cloakroom
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- En-Suite
- Bathroom
- Garage

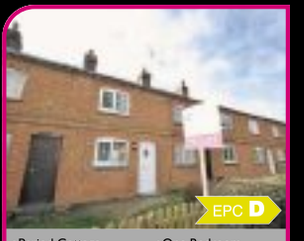
Grange Farm £239,950

- Town House
- 3 Bedrooms
- Fitted Kitchen
- Family Room
- Downstairs Cloak
- Lounge
- No Above Chain
- Views Of Parkland

Campbell Park £240,000

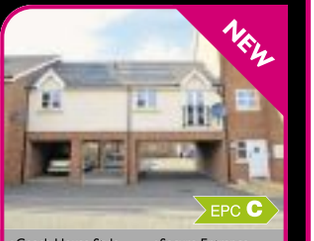
- End Of Terrace
- 2 Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Bathroom
- Gardens
- Allocated Parking
- Popular Location

Newport Pagnell £165,000



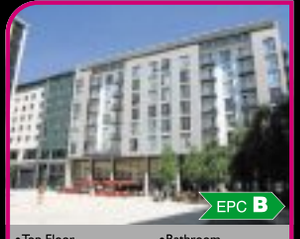
- Period Cottage
- Refurbished
- Open Views To The Rear
- One Bedroom
- Village Location
- No Above Chain
- Call For Information

North Crawley OIEO £140,000



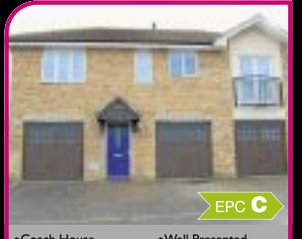
- Coach House Style
- Apartment
- 2 Bedrooms
- Open Plan
- Secure Entrance
- Parking
- Excellent Condition Throughout

Old Wolverton £149,950



- Top Floor
- Open Plan Living
- Balcony
- 2 Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Secure Entry
- Underground Parking
- No Above Chain

The HUB, Central Milton Keynes £215,000

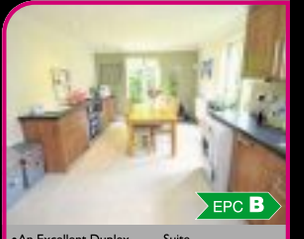


- Coach House
- No Above Chain
- 2 Bedrooms
- Garage
- Well Presented
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen
- Bathroom

Broughton OIEO £170,000

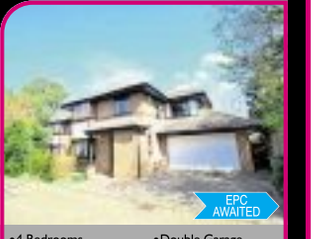
- Detached
- Refurbished
- 3 Bedrooms
- Separate Receptions
- Utility/Cloakroom
- Fitted Kitchen
- Large Plot
- Viewing Is Essential

Bletchley OIEO £230,000



- An Excellent Duplex Maisonette
- Two Great Size Bedrooms
- Dressing Area & En-Suite
- Secure Parking
- Views Of Parkland
- Viewing Recommended

Medbourne OIEO £210,000



- 4 Bedrooms
- 3 Reception Rooms
- Kitchen & Utility
- En-Suite
- Double Garage
- Near To Lodge Lake
- High Standard Throughout

Great Holm £450,000

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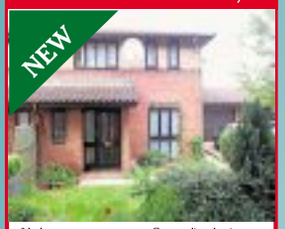
DOWNHEAD PARK £204,995



- 3 bedrooms
- Semi detached
- Separate reception rooms
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Re-fitted bathroom
- Gas to radiator heating
- Driveway & single garage
- No upper chain
- Energy Rating D

NEW BRADWELL £179,995

- 3 bedrooms
- 1930' semi detached
- UPVC double glazing (w/s)
- Gas to radiator heating
- Lounge through diner
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Off road parking
- No upper chain
- Energy Rating D

NEW BRADWELL £160,000

- 2 bedrooms
- Mid terrace
- Re-fitted kitchen with integrated appliances
- Re-fitted bathroom
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Gas to radiator heating
- No upper chain
- Energy Rating F

WOLVERTON £170,000

- 3 bedrooms
- Semi detached
- Separate dining room
- UPVC double glazing
- Gas to radiator heating
- Off road parking
- No upper chain
- Energy Rating C

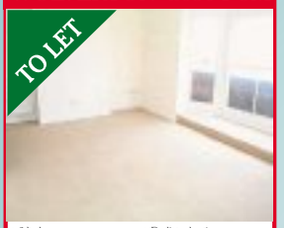
WOLVERTON £185,000

- 3 bedrooms
- Semi detached house
- Separate reception homes
- Extended downstairs shower room
- Upstairs bathroom
- Gas to radiator heating
- No upper chain
- Energy Rating D

WOLVERTON £180,000

- 3 double bedrooms
- In need of modernisation
- Three reception rooms
- Upstairs bathroom
- Outbuildings
- Front & rear gardens
- No upper chain
- Energy Rating F

WOLVERTON £650 PCM



- 2 bedrooms
- Duplex apartment
- Fitted kitchen with appliances
- Sealed unit double glazed sash windows
- Radiator heating
- Allocated parking space
- No DSS
- Fees apply

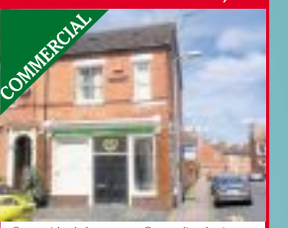
HAVERSHAM £280,000

- 4 bedrooms
- Extended semi detached
- UPVC double glazing
- En-suite to master bedroom
- Kitchen/breakfast room
- Lounge/diner
- Family room
- Downstairs cloakroom & utility room
- Garage/store room
- Driveway providing off road parking

WOLVERTON £180,000

- 3 bedrooms
- Double bay fronted
- Upstairs bathroom
- Lounge/dining room
- Kitchen/breakfast room
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Gas to radiator heating
- Single garage to the rear
- No upper chain

WOLVERTON £215,000



- Commercial end of terrace property
- Potential for flat conversion (STP)
- Retail & office use
- Gas to radiator heating
- Garage to the rear
- No upper chain
- Close to local amenities

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- En-suite to master bedroom
- En-suite to guest bedroom
- Lounge
- Formal dining room
- Kitchen/breakfast room
- Laundry room

FURZTON £835,000

- Detached home
- Five bedrooms
- Views over Lake
- Four bathrooms
- Dining room
- Fitted kitchen
- Study
- Butterfly staircase

GREAT LINFORD £349,950

- Detached home
- Four bedrooms
- Cloakroom
- Separate lounge
- Dining room
- Conservatory
- Double garage
- No chain

SHENLEY BROOK END O.I.E.O £459,950

- Detached home
- Four bedrooms
- Lounge
- Dining room
- Cloakroom
- Utility room
- En-suite to master
- Rear garden

SHENLEY LODGE £339,950

- Detached family home
- 3/4 Bedrooms
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Separate lounge
- Kitchen/diner
- En-suite to master
- Refitted family bathroom
- Gas central heating

FURZTON £264,950

- End of terrace home
- Four bedrooms
- En-suite to master
- Separate lounge
- Kitchen/diner
- Conservatory
- Refitted bathroom
- Garage

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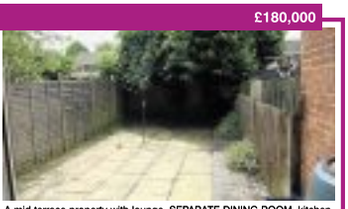
NEWPORT PAGNELL - NO UPWARD CHAIN £180,000



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THE RADCLIFFE SCHOOL

Assistant Head of House
£18,636.19 per annum (based on 37 hours per week, 40 weeks p.a.)

We require an Assistant Head of House to support a Head of House in all aspects of student achievement, both organisational and administrative, starting in September 2014. The successful candidate will be required to communicate effectively with students, parents, staff and external agencies, ensuring that school policies and procedures are adhered to. Experience of working successfully with young people is essential, along with the ability to work both alone and as part of a team.

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Residential Support Worker

£17,980 - £19,317 pro rata **Ref: 50016698**

Join our pool of relief staff for homes for children with learning disabilities, and you will work as and when required to suit both the service and you. You will coach children to help them develop their skills while managing challenging behaviour and undertaking household and administrative tasks. Your experience of working with children will be matched by a willingness to train.

Interview date: week commencing 15 July 2014

Residential Worker

£19,817 - £21,734 **Ref: 59000736**

Pro rata for part time hours

18 ½ hour - Full Time posts available

Join our teams at homes for children with learning disabilities, and you will work morning and afternoon shifts, alternate weekends, and bank holidays. You will coach children to help them develop their skills while managing challenging behaviour and undertaking household and administrative tasks. With or willing to achieve NVQ Level 3 in children and young people, you will undertake direct work with children as well as household tasks and administration.

Interview date: commencing from 15 July 2014

Shift Leader

£27,323 - £31,160 **Ref: 50011333**

Pro rata for part time hours

20 hour - Full Time posts available

Take this key role, and you will lead shifts and manage the work of others while providing personal care to children with learning disabilities. Able to meet the varying communication needs of our residents, you will have experience in residential child care together with NVQ Level 3.

Interview date: commencing from 15 July 2014

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You will have a Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering.

Cook

£15,189 - £16,215 per annum pro rata (7.80 per hour) **Vacancy ID: 101393**

Permanent, term time for 30 hours per week

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1x Denbigh High

You will use professional catering skills for the provision of catering services to the school and support the Kitchen Manager in the overall management of the kitchen and staff.

Your responsibilities will include preparation, cooking and serving of food in accordance to recipes and policy procedure to meet the needs of the pupil's dietary needs and assisting in maintaining the kitchen in a clean and hygienic state.

You will have a Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering.

Closing date for both posts: 10 June 2014

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● FOUNDATION STAGE TEACHING ASSISTANT
£15,189 - £16,215 p.a. pro rata Vacancy ID: 101405
30 hours per week, term-time plus 10 training days

● TEACHING ASSISTANT
£15,189 - £16,215 p.a pro rata Vacancy ID: 101406
27.5 hours per week, term time plus 10 training days

St Christophers Academy is looking to appoint Level 3 Teaching Assistants to join our team.

We are looking for someone who:

- Has a thorough knowledge of the Foundation curriculum
- Can work as part of a team but use their own initiative
- Will motivate and inspire our pupils
- Use creativity and passion in their work
- Form effective relationships with parents, carers and outside agencies
- Be a positive role model for our children
- Expect the unexpected and work flexibly
- Be a fun/positive person for the children to be around

The successful candidates will have:

- Suitable qualifications for a level 3 Teaching Assistant (NVQ level 3 or equivalent)
- Experience of working with Reception/Nursery class children
- Knowledge of the Early Years Curriculum and National Curriculum
- A commitment to ensuring the safety and well being of our pupils

In return we can offer:

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● TEACHING ASSISTANT BANK STAFF
£15,189 - £16,215 p.a pro rata Vacancy ID: 101407
Casual basis

St Christophers Academy is looking for qualified teaching assistants that can be flexible and can provide ad hoc cover (sometimes at late notice) at our school, working through from Nursery to year 6. You would be required to step in to cover for staff absences and sometimes provide 1:1 support for individual children.

If this working pattern suits you and you have experience working within a school/nursery environment, have experience providing care and education to children from a wide range of backgrounds including those with special educational needs, have experience working flexibly, have good literacy, good communication skills and the ability to develop good working relationships with parents, staff and other service providers, then this might suit you. The job also requires you to have the ability to co-operate and adhere to health & safety policy, practices and instruction.

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● BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB SUPERVISOR
£15,189 - £16,215 p.a pro rata Vacancy ID: 101408
21.25 hours per week, term time plus 10 training days

St Christophers Academy is looking to appoint a supervisor for our well utilised Breakfast & After School Club. You will be qualified to NVQ level 3 and be able to lead and manage an excellent team of staff.

Our Before & After School Club provides out of school care for children aged 3 – 11 years in a safe and stimulating environment, providing care and support for up to 24 children.

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Hours of work:
Term time only, 21 hours 15 minutes per week.
Monday – Friday 7.30am – 8.45am and 3.00pm – 6.00pm

Visits to the school are warmly welcomed and strongly encouraged and can be arranged by calling the school on tel: 01582 500960

For further details and an application form for the above roles please contact Lindsay Wilson at the school address, tel: 01582 500960 or email: vacancies@stchristophersacademy.org

Closing date for all roles: 20 June 2014.

Interview date: 26 & 27 June 2014.

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For further details or an application pack please contact Mrs Bernadette Dolan, School Business Manager on 01582 571597, at the school address or e mail: denbigh.primary.admin@luton.gov.uk

Closing date: Friday 13th June 2014 at 9.00 am
Shortlisting: Monday 16th June 2014
Interview date: Thursday 19th June 2014

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With a child-centred learning environment from Foundation Stage to Y4, the successful candidate will be a compassionate, creative and strategic leader with:

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Applicants can contact the School Office to arrange a visit on: 01234 359128.

Closing date: Noon, 16th June 2014
Interview date: 2nd July 2014

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For further details and an application form please contact Mrs S Bradley, PA to Headteacher at Cardinal Newman Catholic School, Warden Hill Road, Luton, LU2 7AE, tel: 01582 597125 or email: cardinal.newman.admin@luton.gov.uk

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THE MEADS PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Class Teachers

MPS / UPS **Vacancy ID: 101409**

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- An attractive building with excellent facilities
- For the right candidate(s), the opportunity to lead on curriculum development within a range of subjects.

Visits to the school are highly encouraged and warmly welcome, prior to application and you can also visit our website for further information about our school www.meads.luton.sch.uk please contact Ms Pearce, the Office Manager on tel: 01582 490905 to arrange an appointment during the week commencing 2nd June 2014.

References will be taken up prior to interview

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Closing date: 16 June 2014 at 12noon.

ST MATTHEWS PRIMARY SCHOOL
Wenlock Street, Luton LU2 0NJ

Foundation Stage, KS1 and KS2 Class Teachers

MPS / UPS **Vacancy ID: 101404**

St Matthew's is a large, vibrant, truly multicultural and popular primary school in the centre of Luton.

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If you are looking for your first or next professional step and would like to be part of the team at St Matthew's please get in touch. We look forward to meeting you. It's a great place to be.

More detailed information regarding these roles is available on request and visits to our school are very warmly welcomed.

Should you wish to discuss any of these opportunities informally, please contact Kelly Farrell, PA to the Headteacher and Leadership Team on tel: 01582 723970 ext 221 who will arrange that for you.

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Closing date: 13 June 2014 at 12noon.

Interview date: w/c 16 June 2014.

MAIDENHALL PRIMARY SCHOOL
Newark Road, Luton LU4 8LD

Administration Assistant

£13,531 - £14,980 p.a. **Vacancy ID: 101403**
35 hours per week, term-time plus 5 training days

Maidenhall Primary School is looking to recruit an Administration Assistant to provide the provision of a comprehensive secretarial and administrative support service. This post includes ensuring a full and responsive support service to all staff including photocopying, printing, postages, filing etc.

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Experience of working in a school environment is desirable.

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For further information and an application pack, please visit our website: http://maidenhallprimary.co.uk/topic/vacancies

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Closing date: 18 June 2014 at 12noon.

Interview date: 23 June 2014.

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WENLOCK C OF E JUNIOR SCHOOL
Beaconsfield Road, Luton LU2 0RW

Deputy Headteacher
£48,505 - £53,429 p.a. (L11 – L15) **Vacancy ID: 101369**

Required from September 2014 or January 2015

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Interview date: w/c 23 June 2014.

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Interview date: 25 June 2014

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Closing date: Friday 6 June 2014.

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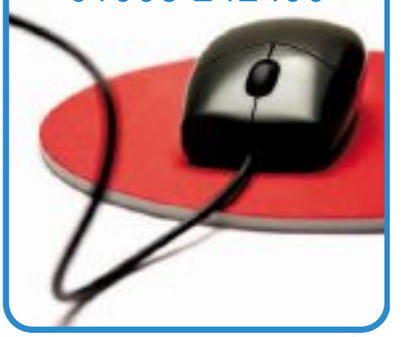

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If you are interested in the above post, please download a pack from our website. Alternatively please contact Mrs Vince in the school office for further details and an application pack. You may also contact Miss Warner for more information: **mwarner@alamedamiddleschool.org.uk**

Full details are on our website. **www.alamedamiddleschool.org.uk**

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Closing date: Monday 9th June 2014 9am.

Alameda Middle School, Station Road, Ampthill, Bedfordshire. MK45 2QR. Tel: **01525 750900**

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MILTON KEYNES, MK13 0BQ
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Headteacher: Mr Philip Webster
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Potential applicants are encouraged to visit the school. Please contact us to arrange an appointment or to request further information and an application form.

The school is committed to safeguarding children.

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Closing date for applications is Friday 20th June 2014.

Interviews will take place on Thursday 26th June 2014.

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The Governors of Sponne School are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people, and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

All information, including further details and an application form can be found on our website www.sponne.org.uk. Alternatively, please contact the Head's PA, Coral Bird, at the school. Telephone: (01327) 350284 Email: cbird@sponne.org.uk.

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Interviews: 20th June 2014

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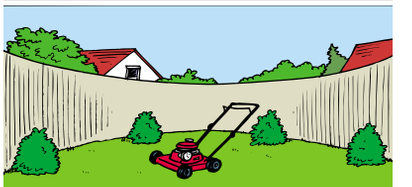

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Proposed Expansion of The Willows School and Early Years Centre

Notice is given in accordance with section 19(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that Milton Keynes Council, Saxon Court, 502 Avebury Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes, MK9 3HS intends to make a prescribed alteration to The Willows School and Early Years Centre (Community school), Fishermead Boulevard, Fishermead, Milton Keynes, MK6 2LP from 01 September 2016.

Milton Keynes Council intends to increase the current capacity of the school. The proposed alteration will make provision for 60 reception places from September 2016 onwards. Every September thereafter the reception year will be able to admit up to 60 pupils. Therefore by September 2018 the school will have a total of 180 places available over the three year groups. Internal adaptations will be made to accommodate the additional pupils from 2016 onwards.

The current capacity of the school is 135 and the proposed capacity will be 180. The current number of pupils registered at the school is 119. The current admission number for the school is 45 and the proposed admission number will be 60.

Within four weeks from the date of publication of these proposals, any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by sending them to:

Marie Denny, Head of Delivery, Setting and School Sufficiency and Access (01908 253935)

Milton Keynes Council

Saxon Court, 502 Avebury Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes MK9 3HS

Objections and comments may also be emailed to: Sufficiency&Access@milton-keynes.gov.uk

This Notice is an extract of the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposal can be obtained from Marie Denny, at the above address.

Signed: Ged Rowney, Interim Corporate Director, Children and Families

Date: 4 June 2014

THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES
(BUCKINGHAM STREET, RADCLIFFE STREET (PART), THE SQUARE AND AYLESBURY STREET (PART), WOLVERTON)
(TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2014

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes for the purpose of facilitating the holding of a relevant event, namely the annual Music and Arts Festival, and to enable members of the public to watch the event which is being promoted by the Clerk to Wolverton and Greenleys Town Council, intends, not less than seven days from the date of this notice to make an order under Section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit all vehicles from entering (except for access to individual properties), proceeding or waiting along the following roads in Wolverton, Milton Keynes: the whole length of Buckingham Street; the whole length of The Square; that part of Radcliffe Street from its junction with Green Lane to its junction with Aylesbury Street and that part of Aylesbury Street from its junction with Cambridge Street to its eastern-most point. It is anticipated the closure will be in operation on Sunday 6th July 2014 between the hours of 09.00 and 21.00.

The alternative route to access Cambridge Street will be via Green Street.

The proposed order will come into operation on 6th July 2014 at 09:00 hours and will continue in force for a maximum period of 3 days.

A copy of the proposed Order, a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing it and a map indicating its location and effect may be inspected at Central Milton Keynes Library, 555 Silbury Boulevard, and at Wolverton Library, 122 Church Street, Wolverton, and during normal opening hours and at the offices of Milton Keynes Council, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes, quoting reference number PH-S16A-TTRO-467.

Vehicular and pedestrian access to premises shall be maintained throughout the closure. There shall be no other exemptions from the provisions of the order, other than for emergency vehicles.

Any person committing a breach of the order will be liable upon prosecution to such fine as is prescribed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

4th June 2014

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John Pryor
Assistant Director – Public Realm Service Group

THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES
(VARIOUS ROADS, MILTON KEYNES) (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ORDER 2014

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes has on 2nd June 2014 made an Order under Section 14(1) and (4) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, because works are to be carried out to Kingston Roundabout and along parts of the A421. The effect of which will be to impose temporary 40mph and 50mph speed restrictions and temporarily prohibit vehicular access along parts of A421, A421 H8 Standing Way, A5130 Newport Road and H9 Groveway and all access or proceeding along the redway that runs parallel to the western kerbline of A5130 Newport Road between H8 Standing Way and Chippenham Drive, Kingston; and the redway that runs along the southern kerbline of Kingston Roundabout, the eastern kerbline of H9 Groveway from its junction with Kingston Roundabout for a distance of 100 metres in a south-westerly direction and the western kerbline of A5130 Newport Road from its junction with Kingston Roundabout for a distance of 100 metres in a south-easterly direction; and the redway that runs parallel to the southern kerbline of H8 Standing Way from its junction with Kingston Roundabout for a distance of 100 metres in a westerly direction. It is anticipated that the temporary speed limits and road closures will be in force from 16th June 2014 to 15th December 2015. However the temporary speed limits and closures will take effect on parts of the said roads during these dates, only when indicated by the appropriate traffic signs, which will be erected in advance.

No vehicles, except for emergency services, military vehicles and vehicles being used in connection with the construction works, shall be permitted to enter, proceed along the following lengths of road:-

A421 H8 Standing Way from its junction with the Kingston Roundabout to its junction with Lasborough Road, Kingston

A5130 Newport Road from its junction with the Kingston Roundabout to its junction with Chippenham Drive, Kingston

A5130 Newport Road from its junction with the Kingston Roundabout to its junction with Lower End Road, Wavendon

H9 Groveway from its junction with the Kingston Roundabout to its junction with Harding Road, Brinkow

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No vehicles, except for emergency services, military vehicles and vehicles being used in connection with the construction works, shall be permitted to exceed the temporary speed restriction of 40 mph along the following lengths of road:-

A421 H8 Standing Way from its junction with the Kingston Roundabout to its junction with Fen Farm Roundabout.

A421 from its junction with Kingston Roundabout to the boundary line that is shared with Bedfordshire

A5130 (southbound carriageway) from its junction with Kingston Roundabout to a point 730 metres south-east of Kingston Roundabout

H9 Groveway from its junction with Kingston Roundabout to its junction with Walnut Tree Roundabout

H8 Standing Way (eastbound carriageway) from its junction with Kingston Roundabout to its junction with Lasborough Road, Kingston

H8 Standing Way (westbound carriageway) from its junction with Kingston Roundabout to its junction with Bransworth Avenue, Brinklow

No vehicles, except for emergency services, military vehicles and vehicles being used in connection with the construction works, shall be permitted to exceed the temporary speed restriction of 50 mph along the following lengths of road:-

A421 H8 Standing Way from its junction with Brinklow Roundabout to its junction with Lasborough Road.

No access will be permitted along the following lengths of redway:-

The redway that runs parallel to the western kerbline of A5130 Newport Road between H8 Standing Way and Chippenham Drive, Kingston

The redway that runs along the southern kerbline of Kingston Roundabout, the eastern kerbline of H9 Groveway from its junction with Kingston Roundabout for a distance of 100 metres in a south-westerly direction and **the western kerbline of A5130 Newport Road** from its junction with Kingston Roundabout for a distance of 100 metres in a south-easterly direction

The redway that runs parallel to the southern kerbline of H8 Standing Way from its junction with Kingston Roundabout for a distance of 100 metres in a westerly direction

The temporary restrictions will be in force on the date and at the times shown when indicated by the appropriate traffic signs, and diversion routes will be displayed where appropriate.

There shall be no exemptions from the provisions of the Order other than those mentioned above.

The Order will come into operation on Monday 16th June 2014 and will continue in force for a maximum period of 18 months or until the said works have been completed, which ever is the sooner. If the works are not completed within the maximum period stated, a further Order may be made with the consent of the Secretary of State.

Any person committing a breach of the Order shall be liable upon prosecution to such fine as is prescribed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

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Milton Keynes Council

The following applications may be inspected at the Planning, Economy and Development Department, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes. Representations, if any, to be submitted in writing to the above address within 21 days of the publication of this notice.

SECTION 73	**WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA**
14/01015/FUL	Replacement front bay windows at 21 Cambridge Street, Wolverton
14/01033/FUL	Change of use from retail shop (use class A1) to financial and professional services (use class A2) at 34 Market Place, Olney
14/01035/FUL	Change of use from retail shop (use class A1) to food and drink (use class A3) at 34 Market Place, Olney
14/01064/FUL	Variation of condition 4 (access drive - surfacing) attached to 11/00484/FUL for surface to be completed prior to occupation of dwellings at 8 Berrells Court, Olney
14/01091/FUL	Removal of existing window, enlargement of opening and installation of new window and external shutter at Central Jamia Mosque, 14 - 16 Church Street, Wolverton
14/01107/MKCOD3	Single storey extension to existing building to rear of school and additional parking at Lavendon Combined School, High Street, Lavendon
14/01112/TCA	Notification of intention to fell 2 x Horse Chestnut Trees (T1) at 2A The Clock House, Watling Street, Little Brickhill
14/01116/FUL	Replacement of front windows with UPVc at 108 Victoria Street, Wolverton
14/01119/MMAM	Minor material amendment to application 13/01309/FUL to alter roof design to a lean to and delete step in rear elevation at 27 Church Street, Olney
14/01160/TCA	Notification of intention to shape and reduce height by 30% of 1 x Scotts Pine (Tree B) at 38 Radcliffe Street, Wolverton
14/01187/FUL	Two storey rear extension at The Old Orchard, Watling Street, Little Brickhill
SECTION 67	**LISTED BUILDING**
14/01023/FUL	Conversion of existing double garage to a one bed dwelling, construction of 3 x dwellings and erection of garage at 32 Hengistbury Lane, Tattenhoe
14/01024/LBC	Listed building consent for the conversion of existing double garage to a one bed dwelling, construction of 3 x dwellings and erection of garage at 32 Hengistbury Lane, Tattenhoe
SECTION 67	**AFFECTING THE SETTING OF A LISTED BUILDING**
13/01925/FUL	Installation of a single wind turbine with a maximum tip height of 67 metres (hub height of 40 metres and rotor diameter of 54 metres) at Malt Mill Farm, Castlethorpe Road, Hanslope
14/01068/FUL	Solar farm with a connection capacity of up to 7.5MW, comprising the installation of photovoltaic panels, boundary fencing, security and CCTV cameras, site access and electrical infrastructure including a switch station, inverter units and transformer and temporary construction compounds for a period of 25 years at The Kickles, Lakes Lane, Newport Pagnell

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT (AS AMENDED)
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT
(DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES) ORDER 2010
NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13
MAJOR

14/01069/REM	Reserved matters application pursuant to outline planning permission 13/00652/OUT for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale of 429 dwellings at Brooklands BDW Phase 1B at Land At Brooklands, North of Broughton Brook, To The West of The M1 Motorway And A509, Eastern Expansion Area, Milton Keynes

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THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES (H3/A422 MONKS WAY, SOSKIN DRIVE STANTONBURY FIELDS, FLAXLEY GATE MONKSTON, COLINDALE STREET MONKSTON PARK, DALTON GATE AND GRIFFITH GATE MIDDLETON) (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ORDER 2014

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes intends to make an Order under Section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to allow the NSPCC Half Marathon, which is being promoted by Mr Clive Gear on behalf of the 'NSPCC Half Marathon Committee', to take place. It is anticipated that the following temporary restrictions will be in effect on Sunday 6 July 2014 between the hours of 8.00am and 2.00pm, and when indicated by the appropriate traffic signs. The effect of the Order is as follows:-

1. **To temporarily prohibit all vehicles from entering or proceeding in the following lengths of roads:-**
   H3 Monks Way - the two cross over gaps in the centre of the H3/A422 Monks Way which lead into Soskin Drive, Stantonbury Fields and Breckland, Linford Wood;
   Soskin Drive, Stantonbury Fields from its junction with the H3/A422 Monks Way north-westerly to its T junction.
   There will be exemptions for residents, vehicles accessing the Veterinary Centre, the Alarm Centre and any authorized vehicle in connection with the administration of the event. This junction will be marshalled throughout the event.
   Flaxley Gate, Monkston from its junction with H7 Chaffron Way to its junction with Blanchard Circle, Monkston;
   Access into Blanchard Circle will be from Kilwinning Drive (V10 Brickhill St), or Lindisfarne Drive (V11 Tongwell Street), Monkston;
   Colindale Street, Monkston Park from its junction with H7 Chaffron Way to its junction with Rayners Lane, Monkston Park;
   Access into Monkston Park will be via Maida Vale, Plaistow Crescent or Tewkesbury Lane, Monkston Park (V10 Brickhill Street).
   Dalton Gate, Middleton from its junction with the V11 Tongwell Street to its junction with Noonlayer Drive and Worrelle Avenue;
   Access into Middleton and Milton Keynes Village will be via Claridge Drive (H7 Chaffron Way) or Hensman Gate (H6 Childs Way);
   Griffith Gate, Middleton from its junction with the V11 Tongwell Street to its junction with Babington Close.
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2. **To temporarily impose 'no waiting at any time' restrictions for all vehicles in the following road:-**
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Any local diversions will be indicated by traffic signs.

Pedestrian access to premises and properties adjacent to the restricted roads shall be maintained throughout. There shall be no exemptions from the provisions of the Order apart from those specified at 1. above, and for emergency services and military vehicles on operational duties.

The proposed Order will come into operation on 6 July 2014 at 8.00am and will continue in force for a maximum period of 3 days, or until the completion of the event whichever shall be the sooner, but it is expected that the restrictions will only remain in effect until 2.00pm on the 6th July 2014.

A copy of the proposed Order, statement of reasons for making the Order, and maps showing the areas referred to may be inspected during opening hours at Milton Keynes Library, 555 Silbury Boulevard, Milton Keynes, and during normal office hours at Milton Keynes Council, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Central Milton Keynes, quoting reference number WL-P&E-9484-TCO-2378.

Any person committing a breach of the Order will be liable upon prosecution to such fine as is prescribed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

4th June 2014

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Objections to the intended disposal must be made in writing and addressed to:

Rhoderick Aitken (Senior Estates Surveyor), Property Services, Milton Keynes Council, Saxon Court, 502-550 Avebury Boulevard, Milton Keynes MK9 3HS by no later than Wednesday 18th June 2014

A plan of the land affected is available for inspection at the office of the Council's Estates Manager at the above address.

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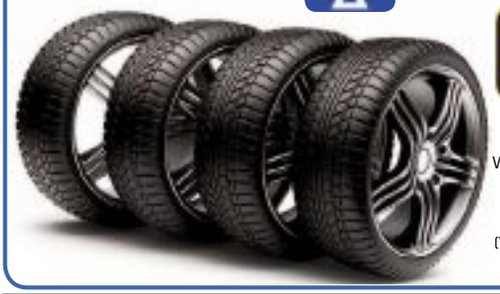

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FOOTBALL

Arsenal win a dream come true for MK based midfielder Leah Williamson

BY SCOTT KIRK
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MILTON Keynes' very own Arsenal superstar Leah Williamson said her dream had come true after she helped her team beat Everton 2-0 in the Women's FA Cup final.

The 17-year-old came on as a second half substitute at stadiummk on Sunday, and although she was disappointed not to start, she was delighted to win her first senior medal as her team dominated the Toffees.

"My dream just came true so I'm very happy," she said. "To get on the pitch was incredible, especially in my home town, and the reception was amazing so I'm feeling very happy. I hope it's the first of many senior medals."

Williamson was not the only player from Milton Keynes on the pitch – Everton's Billie Murphy also came on from the bench and her manager Andy Spence praised her performance.

"It's always special when you've got a connection with a ground or an area so Billie was probably disappointed not to start the game but when she came on I thought she did well," he said.

"It's a nice occasion for her family to see Billie on her home patch."

The Everton manager was graceful in defeat, and felt that Milton Keynes was a superb venue to host the final.

"The credit has to go to Arsenal today – they dominated the game and ran out worthy winners," he said.

"I can only be complimentary of the staff and the hard work that goes into these events – we've been really pleased to come to a top stadium and there has been a great atmosphere.

"Our fans have had to travel a long way today and they've been brilliant for us."

Arsenal were worthy winners in front of 15,098 stadiummk fans.

Everton began at a decent pace, but the Gunners led 1-0 at half-time and then cruised to victory after the interval to lift the trophy for the second straight year and for the 13th time in their history.

City star: Leah Williamson lines up a shot for Arsenal in the Women's FA Cup final.
Picture: Andy Handley

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The first chance of the final came after just 30 seconds when Everton's Brooke Chaplen played an absolutely splendid through ball for Nikita Parris, but the Toffees striker blazed over from the edge of the box.

It was a lively start to the game, with Arsenal winger Rachel Yankey impressing on the right hand touchline, and Chaplen looking very assured in the middle of the park.

Kelly Jones drew gasps from the crowd with a lovely piece of skill for Everton on the right hand side, but Millie Turner was unable to direct her cross goalwards.

Arsenal were every bit in the game as Everton though, and an entertaining opening to the match was typified when Yankey let rip with a sensational effort from the edge of the box which struck the post and bounced straight back out of the area in the 10th minute.

The game deserved an early goal, and the Milton Keynes fans were treated to one with just 15 minutes gone on the clock.

Everton's Alex Greenwood fouled Danielle Carter on the edge of her own box, and from 20 yards, Arsenal skipper Kelly Smith curled a beautiful effort over the wall and beyond Rachel Brown-Finnis' fingertips to give the Gunners an early 1-0 lead.

Everton responded to the goal with a few corners, Chaplen and Millie Turner heading over respectively, but the goal seemed to take the sting out of the tie for a short time.

Chaplen had a long-range effort well saved by Emma Byrne as the Merseysiders had a spell of pressure which didn't necessarily result in many chances.

Arsenal's talent was clear to see, with Carter taking advantage of the Toffees defence backing off by cutting in from the right and firing a left-footed effort which just grazed Brown-Finnis' near post.

She was at it again a couple of minutes later when her shot was deflected behind, and Arsenal's class was beginning to show.

A minute before half time came another great Arsenal opportunity when Japanese midfielder Shinobu Ohno's free kick was headed off the line by Lindsay Johnson, before Carter's diving header was thwarted right on her own goalline by Brown-Finnis.

Arsenal continued where they left off at the start of the second half as Smith curled another great effort at goal, this time hitting the post with Brown-Finnis at full stretch.

The Londoners were dominating and they doubled their lead when Smith managed to get the better of Gabby George in the Everton box.

She squared the ball for another Japanese player Yukari Kinga, who oozed class when slotting home to put Arsenal 2-0 up.

After the goal Arsenal continued to turn the screw, with Ohno blasting a shot on target which produced a fantastic one-handed save by Brown-Finnis, before Alex Scott latched on to a pass and fired a shot straight at the goalkeeper.

Brown-Finnis was called into action again in the 70th minute to stop Yankey from adding a third goal as Arsenal kept up the pressure.

Carter beat the offside trap to head over with five minutes left, and in truth it was all one-way traffic in the second half as Arsenal looked content to hold on to their 2-0 lead.

There was even time for Emma Mitchell to hit the Everton bar in injury time as the Gunners continued their run of trophies in the women's game by beating their Women's Super League (WSL) rivals.

It meant that departing coach Shelley Kerr bowed out with a trophy and that Arsenal, who are bottom of the WSL, are now the holders of both the men's and women's FA Cups.

Before the game, fans were entertained with a Merseyside derby in the FA Girls' Youth Cup, which saw Liverpool win the trophy after beating Everton 1-0.

Kess Elmore's second half strike settled the contest which the Reds deserved to win on chances created.

X-Factor star Luke Friend also performed before the big game.

CRICKET

Stony Stratford well beaten by Rushton after batting collapse

Northamptonshire Premier League

STONY Stratford slipped to a fourth defeat in six league matches as a miserable batting performance condemned them to a six wicket reverse at Rushton.

After losing the toss Stony were asked to bat but they collapsed to just 78 all out as Rushton pair Jake Higginbotham (6-36) and Marc Jackson (4-35) tore through their line-up.

Rushton only used those two bowlers as Jarrod Pretorius provided the only resistance with 39 – one of only two Stony batsmen to make it into double figures.

In reply Russell White (2-15) and Alex Strong (2-32) took wickets but Rushton required just 11.4 overs to coast home – Ben Mansell making 44 from just 21 deliveries.

Stony are tenth in the division and will host Oundle on Saturday.

Cherwell Cricket League

GREAT Brickhill claimed a winning draw at home to Banbury 2nds in Division One.

After batting first Brickhill were restricted to 148-9 with opener Michael Baker making 51.

In reply Banbury also struggled with the bat but Brickhill fell one wicket short as the visitors clung on to finish on 126-9.

George Humphries starred with the ball, taking 6-25, but Brickhill also conceded 43 extras, 30 of them wides.

The draw saw Brickhill claim 16 points, leaving them seventh in the league.

Elsewhere in Division One, sixth placed Wolverton Town's match with Oxford 2nds was abandoned and it was the same outcome for Bletchley Town's match with Bicester & North Oxford in Division Three. Bletchley remain bottom of the table after the wash-out.

Four Counties Cricket League

MILTON Keynes CC slipped to a four wicket defeat against Thurleigh after being bowled out for 107.

They battled hard in the second innings but Andy Milne's 62 saw Thurleigh home.

Olney Town saw off Milton Keynes City by six wickets after dismissing their opponents for just 65 – Stuart Keeping taking 5-21.

Town lost three quick wickets in reply but safely made it over the line.

In Division Two, New Bradwell thrashed Milton Bryan by nine wickets. Joel Langley ended with figures of 5-21 as Bradwell skittled their visitors for just 119. In reply, Alan Quelch finished unbeaten on 75 as the target was reached for the loss of just one wicket.

Newport Pagnell enjoyed an eight wicket win over Old Bradwell. Daniel Broad took 4-19 for Newport as Bradwell were bowled out for 84.

Opener Paul Braddy then spearheaded a straight-forward chase by making 43.

In Division Three, Open University went down by five wickets to Ivinghoe & Pitstone after their first innings total of 153-9.

Basil Lall made 38 but Darren Badrick steered Ivinghoe over the line with an unbeaten 71.

Westcroft enjoyed a five wicket win after successfully chasing 195-6 against Studham.

Two Studham batsmen made it into the 70s in their innings but Javediqbal Naeem's 66 and Harry Singh's unbeaten 52 won it for Westcroft.

In Division Four, Shenley Church End beat Milton Bryan's 2nds by nine wickets.

Shiv Meeda took 4-10 as Shenley restricted Milton to 97 all out, and Aman Lalli top scored with 38 as the total was knocked off after 21.2 overs.

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ROWING

Wait is over for Helen

Golden girls: Jenny Searle and Helen Marshall

MILTON Keynes Rowing Club's Helen Marshall realised a 20-year dream to win a national gold medal at the Masters Championship regatta in Nottingham.

The club also bagged a further gold and a silver at the National Watersports Centre.

Marshall and her double scull partner Jenny Searle, who won a silver medal at last year's championship, had a single minded goal to win the Women's Masters B category.

Helen never stopped believing that a national gold medal win was within her reach and she was proved right to believe it.

The pair, both senior lightweight women, blew the rest of the field away – winning their heat comfortably and the final by well over a length.

A second gold came from Tara Adams, Louisa Briar, Kelly Alexander and Helen Sanderson, coxed by Lou Rivett, in the Women's Masters – a novice coxed four event.

Next up for a medal was Rod Bennett, who rowed beautifully in the Masters D Novice single scull category, well ahead of his opposition bar one to claim silver – an amazing achievement considering he only started to single scull last year.

Rivett, the club's chairperson, said: "I am so proud of the members of MK Rowing Club who not only deliver results at this high level championship event, but the spirit of all the rowers and supporters is the envy of others who see our display of support for each other and our pride at their achievements.

"I am overjoyed for the winners today and so proud of how they represent our club."

Benn Klewpatinond, club captain, added: "Once again, our rowers have brought home even more silverware.

"There were some really fantastic races had by all and to have medals from our novice rowers right up to our senior rowers, really shows the depth of talent within our squads."

BADMINTON

Teams splash the cash

MILTON Keynes snapped up Great Britain players Peter Mills and Paul van Rietvelde for the newly formed National Badminton League at an auction at stadiummk on Monday.

England's Sophie Brown will also play for MK after the team bidded against Birmingham Lions, Team Derby, Loughborough Sport, University of Nottingham Badminton and Surrey Smashers to sign the best English players for their squads.

Milton Keynes Badminton revealed they were delighted to secure world top 20 doubles player Mills, GB talent Van Rietvelde and promising England youngster Brown as they start to plot how they can win the league.

Franchise director Jurgen van Leeuwen said: "We had a plan to sign certain players that seemed to be very popular with the other teams, but we are obviously delighted to sign some very experienced players like Peter Mills, and also younger players like Paul Van Rietvelde and Sophie Brown.

"I'm very pleased with the outcome of the auction."

The NBL teams will play each other on monthly match nights to be broadcast live on Sky Sports and streamed around the world from October 6.

There will then be a one-day knock-out competition featuring the top four teams in June 2015, with matches being played using a new quick-fire format.

More than £100,000 was spent across the six teams on players for the six-match season.

Top men's singles player and Commonwealth Games silver medallist Rajiv Ouseph was secured by Team Derby.

World number five mixed doubles star Gabby Adcock will play for Surrey Smashers, while her husband Chris Adcock was signed by University of Nottingham Badminton after a very tense bidding war.

Mills and doubles partner Chris Langridge have just climbed into the world top 20, and the latter will also feature in the NBL having been signed by Surrey.

Andy Ellis, a top ten doubles player with Chris Adcock, was snapped up by Derby.

Teams are set to feature eight players in total with more squad announcements expected soon.

Milton Keynes will also be confirming coaching and venue details shortly.

Badminton England's ambassador for the NBL Nathan Robertson, an Olympic silver medallist and former world champion, said: "It's great that the teams are now assembling their sides for the NBL before it begins in October.

"The league will be faster than ever and open up the sport to new audiences with exciting matches in a thrilling new format."

Badminton England chief executive Adrian Christy added: "The NBL has captured interest from all over the world and I believe it will be a real game-changer for the sport in this country in particular."

MOTORSPORT

Oram-Jones impresses in Formula Renault

MILTON Keynes teenager Samuel Oram-Jones showed good progress in his maiden outing at Donington Park in the 2014 Protyre Formula Renault Championship.

The 16-year-old has made the step up from karts this season and despite very little experience, which included only half a day at Mallory Park and one day at Donington on the Thursday prior to the event, he improved dramatically from qualifying one to qualifying two and was almost 1.5 seconds quicker in the second session.

Oram-Jones continued in the same vein in the races too, using the opener to gain further mileage and notch up his first points finish, when he came home 12th, before upping the ante in the second.

He not only finished ninth in race two, but he also stayed with the pack and in the end his fastest lap was around half a second up on that set in race one. He couldn't show further progress in the third race as he was taken out at the start.

"The weekend went extremely well and we were very happy with the end performance," said The Webber Independence School pupil, who races for SWB Motorsport and is backed by E&S Consultants Ltd.

SWB team manager Simon Baldry said the youngster had done a 'mega job'.

"Sammy did really well over this weekend," he said. "He has kept learning every time the car has moved and even when he hasn't been in it, he has been looking at all the data and the video footage and we have been going through things with him.

"All the things that we ask of him he does and as a team we cannot ask for any more."

Oram-Jones will resume his campaign on July 26-27 at the Brands Hatch Indy circuit.

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NEWPORT Pagnell driver Alex Nutall suffered from a wheel alignment problem in the second round of the Dunlop MK2 Golf GTI Championship.

The 20-year-old, who is the youngest driver in the championship, finished third in the first race and fourth in the second. The next round is at Cadwell Park in Lincolnshire at the end of June.

Elsewhere, MK driver Dan Wheeler celebrated two podium finishes when the Mini Miglia Championship took place at Cadwell.

SPEEDWAY

MK KNIGHTS beat Stoke Spitfires 23-14 to increase their lead at the top of the Midland Development League to eight points, with a dominant Sam Chapman taking 12 points.

Sunday saw the team lose their first home contest of the season as Rye House Raiders triumphed 21-15 in the first leg of the KO Cup.

RUGBY LEAGUE

MK WOLVES booked their place in the East RL Challenge Cup semi-finals with a comprehensive 54-4 victory over Cambridge Lions.

The result against lower league opposition was never really in doubt, with the Wolves 18-4 up at half time. Wolves will play Bedford Tigers at home in the last four.

"Today's result was a great team performance, and we really saw the benefit of regular training, and a much larger squad allowing us to regularly rotate tired and injured players," said coach Abe Kerr.

"I was pleased with the way we performed against a team that, despite being on the wrong end of a heavy defeat, never gave up. Now, we need to carry that big performance into our next games."

ATHLETICS

THE Bedford International Games proved lucrative for Marshall Milton Keynes Athletic Club with wins for Joey Duck in the 200m and Rachel Gibbens, who cleared 3.65m, in the pole vault.

In the men's 200m, Chris Clarke finished second, while in the hammer Kayleigh Presswell was ninth, throwing 48.32m. There was a reversal of fortunes in the second U20/17 Youth Development League match at Cheltenham, with the club finishing second behind Team DC and slipping behind them in the league standings as well.

The Club's Under 13/15 team struggled to fourth in the Youth Development League in Wolverhampton, slipping to third overall.

BOXING

MK heavyweight Matt Legg was knocked out by London 2012 Olympic gold medallist Anthony Joshua after just one minute and 23 seconds of the opening round at Wembley Stadium.

The 38-year-old was fighting on the undercard of the much-hyped Carl Froch v George Groves rematch, and did land one big shot before defeat.

DRAGON BOAT RACING

MK's Secklow Hundred were on fire in Devon on the River Exe over the weekend. Racing over 200m and a 1300m 'city loop', Secklow finished an excellent fifth out of 19 after all the races on Sunday.

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Speculation continues over future of Dele Alli

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SPECULATION is rife over the future of Dons midfielder Dele Alli, who continues to be linked with all the big English clubs including Premier League champions Manchester City, Liverpool, Arsenal, Chelsea and Manchester United.

MK SPORT has reported throughout the year of interest in the 18-year-old starlet, with Liverpool manager Brendan Rodgers reportedly watching him as far back as January in the FA Cup third round tie against Wigan Athletic.

Manager Karl Robinson, who is currently on holiday in Spain, is desperate to keep the teenager, who is the sort of player the team could be built around.

He told Sky Sports: "I am desperate to keep him if I am honest and, if we keep him, we will undoubtedly be a better side with him than without him."

Robinson praised the academy product several times last season, and believes he is one of the best young players he has ever seen.

It is likely that Alli will move on at some point in the future, for a sizeable fee, but Robinson wants the midfield sensation to stay at Dons for as long as possible following 37 appearances for the club last season.

He scored seven times during that period, including a memorable hat-trick against Notts County, and provided four assists.

Robinson added: "There's been a lot of interest in him and a few things have come up, but it would be unfair of me to talk about the clubs who want him.

"Everyone knows his talent and I have no doubt he will be a fantastic player for a top club when he fulfils his potential."

Meanwhile, the future of another key Dons player has been secured this week after Antony Kay signed a new one-year deal at the club.

The centre back has impressed for Dons this season, and struck up a good partnership with on-loan Jordan Spence throughout the latter stages of the campaign, which was especially important given Shaun Williams' departure to Millwall in January.

"Towards the end of last season, a new contract was mentioned and I knew then, definitely, that I wanted to stop here," Kay said.

"It's a great club and it's only going to go forward.

"The stadium and the fans are great, I like the way the manager wants to play and the lads here are brilliant too.

"I've really enjoyed the last two years and I just wanted to continue that on."

In other news Pete Winkelman is currently in Portugal at a chairman's conference.

The annual meeting takes place every year between all the Football League chairmen to discuss any problems or ideas for the future.

Dons will play at Cambridge United in a pre-season friendly on Tuesday, July 29.

In demand: Dele Alli
Picture: Andy Handley

Chadwick happy to see out career at Cambridge United

DONS midfielder Luke Chadwick would be happy to see out his career at hometown club Cambridge United if a deal can be done.

The 33-year-old helped United – the club he has supported since childhood – return to the Football League via the Skrill Premier play-offs during a two-month loan spell from stadiummk.

It was a dream come true for Chadwick to pull on a Cambridge shirt and he would have no hesitation in staying if the opportunity arose.

"I'd love to stay here for the rest of my career, but you don't always get what you want," said Chadwick, whose future is set to be resolved when he returns from holiday.

"At the moment, I'm not 100 per cent sure what is happening, but it would be great to come back if something can get sorted out.

"To be part of the squad that plays back in the Football League would be amazing, but you can't ask for too much. To have what I had even being here for just two months was brilliant.

"When I was a kid, I dreamed of playing for this club and now I've finally done it. Obviously I'm a bit older now, but coming back here – it has been an incredible experience to play here.

"It's what I always wanted to do and now I've done it I'm a very happy man."

Chadwick made 10 appearances for United during his loan spell, scoring twice, which included coming on as a substitute in the 2-1 play-off final win over Gateshead at Wembley.

It proved a special moment for him and was the perfect way to conclude his loan deal.

In total he has made 203 appearances for Dons, scoring 16 goals.

When he left for Cambridge, Dons manager Karl Robinson said: "Me and Chaddy had a long discussion about his future.

"He doesn't want to let the chairman, the fans or me down but he said that while he's still got the legs he wants to fulfil his dream, which is to play for Cambridge United."

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